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El Cerrito braces for AC Transit service cuts

By Dawn Frasleur

EL CERRITO — AC Transit service manager Stephen Parry said the El Cerrito City Council will vote Monday night. Major news Monday night. Major weekend service cuts are just around the corner. Parry told the council AC Transit cannot cover the gap between its projected revenues and operating costs this year and that the city's projections are even bleaker for next year, even with monies generated by the May 1 fare increases.

The Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District is dependent on state and fed-

eral subsidies to keep its operating budget balanced while keeping fares low enough to keep riders using the system. Those subsidies are shrinking and could well be eliminated in the near future.

The immediate target for cutting the operating budget is a reduction of bus service hours by about 16 percent, or 1,000 hours.

"There will be no significant daylight changes," said Parry, "since that's where the bulk of our ridership is."

Parry said the district has come up with a plan that affects 16 percent of the budget while affecting only 11 percent of the passenger total. That may not

bring much encouragement to those people walking farther for a bus on the weekends.

The current cutback scenario includes:

- Eliminating all overnight service between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m.;
- Eliminating most service after 7 or 8 p.m., except for 21 basic routes;
- Operating only basic service on weekends (22 routes on Saturdays, 21 on Sundays and holidays);
- Reducing some local service that was previously funded by the Caltrans/FHWA Cypress Mitigation Program.
- Rerouting or elimination of routes with historically poor performance will

also be explored.

Parry said community input would still be sought. The AC Transit board is expected to make a decision in September, following public hearings.

Council members' responses to the information reflected some frustration at what appears to be inevitable.

Norma Jellison spoke to her concern that federal transit assistance monies, now being diverted to highway construction, will not be available for bus service funding when that allocation is made two years from now. The money

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Library security, budget adopted

By Mary Flaherty

ALBANY — The city council approved two security measures for the library, as well as a contract for additional services for the coming year, at its meeting Monday night.

The Library and Community Services Center has suffered from vandalism and disruptive behavior by kids using the new facility, just blocks from the middle school, as an after-school hang out. So the Friends of the Library hired a monitor for after school hours, and the library board asked the police to drop by several times a day as well.

Monday the council approved spending \$1,820, from library tax revenues to cover half the \$3,600 cost of the monitor. The other half is paid for by budget funds from community services department, which shares the building.

The monitor program has been effective, said Albany Library Manager Ronnie Davis. She doesn't expect as much disruption during the summer, when kids aren't dropping by on their way home from school, and so the monitor isn't on duty now that school is closed, but will return in September.

In addition to a monitor, both Davis and the library board felt that drop-in visits by the Albany police would further improve the situation. In May, the library board passed a resolution asking the city council to direct the police chief to send officers by the library three to four times per afternoon on school days, except Fridays, when the library is closed. The board also requested that the cost of police visits be allocated in the police department budget.

The police department has been sending an officer to the library every afternoon since June 5, said Police Chief Larry Murdo. However, the department cannot send an officer by the library three to four times each afternoon due to limited personnel and other duties, he said. And the department cannot budget funds for policing a specific location, said Murdo.

The city council voted to accept Murdo's recommendation of police visits to the library at least once a day, instead of three to four times per day, as requested by the Library Board.

"I'm happy to have the police come as regularly as once a day," said Davis.

The police will continue to drop in at the library during the summer, unless it turns out to be unnecessary.

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80 trees may not be replaced

By Dawn Frasleur

EL CERRITO — Anyone who's seen the down I-80 has seen the damage from green to gray, as marring-green trees have been cut down to prepare for the widened freeway expansion. Those who've comforted themselves at the loss, believing it only temporary until new trees and shrubs are planted (if only as an accompaniment to concrete walls), may have to think

again. City council member Cathie Kosel announced at a meeting earlier this month, the state has decided that limited highway funds be better used for seismic retrofits than for replacement of trees. Kosel, who is active in transit issues and serves as

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Albany students win chess tournament



The Cornell and Marin school chess teams tied for first place at the Berkeley Chess Schools Chess tournament, held May 20 at UC Berkeley. To win the trophy, Cornell and Marin Schools competed against a field of nine K through 3rd grade teams from throughout Alameda and Contra Costa counties. Team members (pictured above) include Cornell Team: Tyler DeVos, Patrick Schnarrenberger, Anna Vesge, Grace Liang and Kofi Yiadom. On the Marin Team: Stephen Presnall, Yi-xuan Li, Wei Foong Teoh and Patrick Skinner.

El Cerrito budget adopted for next year

By Dawn Frasleur

EL CERRITO — The city council adopted next year's \$12.9 million budget at its June 19 meeting. Council member Norma Jellison made the motion to approve the budget "in the fervent hope that we don't have to revisit this because of what may happen in Sacramento."

Mayor Norman La Force had noted that serious budget problems are still unresolved in the capital.

"We may be a part of the solution down the line," he said.

With no revenue cutbacks from the state so far this year and with budget reserves slowing building up, El Cerrito is in a better financial

position than it has been in the last several years.

La Force congratulated the city's staff on its success in working with less money during "a very trying time," echoing comments by Jellison, who said staff and managers had "worked harder with less resources and less monetary resources" in the last few years.

Jellison had noted that several years ago the El Cerrito budget had exceeded \$14 million.

Council members Mae Ritz and Jane Bartke also praised the staff's efforts. Ritz drew particular attention to the building up of reserves. Bartke thanked administrative services manager Jim Randall and his

department for improving the organization of the budget paperwork and making it easier for citizens to understand.

There was no discussion of the numbers themselves; those had been finetuned in several workshops. Jellison did encourage the staff, however, to seek other funding sources for police and fire services which take the lion's share of the budget. Though important, she said, "it's not all that makes our city a livable city," particularly with necessary maintenance still being deferred.

In a separate action, the council confirmed next year's \$72 assessment for the Landscape and Light-

ing Assessment District. The amount remains the same as when the district was created in 1988.

According to Randall, the assessment is expected to generate about \$745,000 in the 1995/96 fiscal year. The funds are used for street lighting and attendant costs, street sweeping of commercial areas, maintenance of parks, including park buildings and landscaping, and landscaping surrounding public buildings. This year's budget also includes some expansion of street sweeping into major residential arterials.

Jellison spent some time discussing the implications of leaving the

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Edna Francisco displayed handcrafted wreaths at the sale.

Art show benefits schools

By Dawn Frasleur

EL CERRITO — Edna Francisco's handcrafted wreaths, created with a variety of dried flowers, including sweetpeas from her own garden, were one of the popular items at the El Sobrante Art Show and sale at El Cerrito last weekend.

About a dozen members of the guild showed their handcrafted items.

A portion of the proceeds goes to a good cause. We donate a portion of our profits to junior high and high schools throughout the West Contra Costa School District," says Ruth

Francisco, whose own specialty is cro-

ter for young students, providing both the judges and award monies for winners.

Owen keeps a hefty scrapbook filled with photographs and descriptions of the artwork, along with thank you notes from the students who've been honored.

"It's important to keep up students' interest in art while they're young, and we want to encourage them," she said. "Once they lose interest, they may never get it back."

Students from El Cerrito High School and Portola Middle School are regular participants in the show.

The El Sobrante Art Guild was organized in 1968 and currently has about 120 members.

The Scholarship Awards program began in 1973.

Over the span of two decades, 350 cash awards have been presented to aspiring young artists.

The guild has several summer shows upcoming at the San Pablo Town Center (July 15, 16 and Aug. 5, 6, 26, 27) and a Harvest Day Show at the Pinole Vista Center Oct. 6, 7, 8.

El Cerrito's Fourth of July celebration to support library



Rotary members (from left to right, front row) Steve Sadler, Jane Del Simone, Glenn Davis, Devon Anderson, Mike Gonzales, and Janet Hildebrand, (back row) J.J. Diliberto, Gary Pokorny, Patrick O'Keefe and Mark Figone in front of the El Cerrito Library.

Mark your calendars, and plan to spend Tuesday, July 4, at the El Cerrito Fourth of July Fair.

For the third year, the El Cerrito Rotary is sponsoring the fair. Profits will be donated to the El Cerrito Library and other community projects.

The young and the young at heart are invited to participate in more than 15 games, including the frog jump and egg toss, to partake in a wide array of foods representing the ethnic diversity of the area, and to enjoy both the crafts and artwork of local artists and lively music and dance provided by local musicians and performers.

The fair will be held at the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Moeser Lane, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Remembering When

By William Paul

Times and tribulations of war-time draftees

Let's take a remembering back to the late 1930s and early '40s, when SS stood for Selective Service, which meant the draft, and the very idea caused countless trembles to countless young people who might or might not be eligible to the one Uncle Sam was toying with.

There was fighting going on in Europe and there were some of us who were old enough to remember, or at least read about World War I, when they had set up (I believe I'm right) the first draft since the Civil War.

Anyway, there was a lot of talk about the possibility of a draft being set up and what the age limits would be and whether or not they would call up married men.

If memory serves, there was a big surge in weddings of one type or another about that time, and one guy I knew got himself a job on a ship headed for Australia and back. He had to finish the trip even though about halfway out he discovered he was physically unfit to be drafted. Excuse my grin.

While I had been married several years, I remember being edgy about leaving town on a vacation in 1941, so alerted my landlady to keep an eye on my mailbox and gave her an address at which I could be reached in case a "Greetings!" envelope came addressed to me.

They came up with some pretty good stories about experiences of prospective

draftees: one being the disappointment of a guy who reported to his draft board and had the receptionist look up and say, "Oh! For goodness sakes, you're 6-foot-3, not 3-foot-6." He was in.

Today your ASN (Army Serial Number) is your Social Security Number, but back in World War II you were assigned the number when you signed up. That number started with 1 if you enlisted, 2 if you were drafted and 3 if you were National Guard. A card tacked to your cot in the barracks carried your name and ASN.

One day while checking those cards, looking for a KP, I came across one that began with 1 on the bed of a man from the East Coast among dozens of cards starting with 3's, also from the East Coast. I was curious and asked the man how come he had enlisted when practically all of his buddies in the same cadre were draftees. "You really want to know?"

I told him I was just curious but didn't want to force him if he didn't want to talk. So he replied, "I was just down and out and broke and had to have some money."

And then he explained that he made his living playing a violin, and back where he came from, people seemed to be allergic to musicians ... the only man I ever talked with who joined the Army for the money it paid.

The only advantage an enlistee had over a draftee was

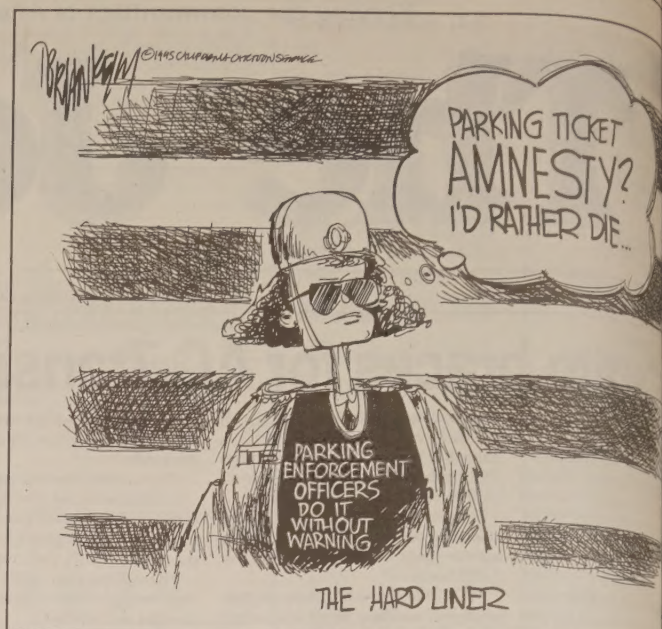
that he got to pick what type of outfit he would land in (after basic training) — infantry, tanks, signal corps, etc. I heard tell, however, of some transfers from one service to another that were not popular with the transferees.

Otherwise, from what I observed, I never heard anyone make a distinction between draftees and enlistees — that is, I never heard anyone run down a draftee because he didn't go in without any pressure being administered. You both were in — you wished you weren't — you wondered when you would get out. And some lasting friendships were developed.

One story has it that a Private Smith got drafted, who hated the Army so much he simply couldn't be trained. He was transferred from one unit to another, but finally got sent out to the Pacific, where he continued balking. His captain ordered a lieutenant to try to straighten him out.

Two days later Smith went out alone and brought back three Japanese prisoners. The next day he brought in four. The captain called the lieutenant in and asked, "What in the world did you do to Smith? He's a wonder."

"Oh, said the lieutenant, "I told him he had been a thorn in the flesh ever since he was in the Army — hadn't learned anything, and that from here on he was in business for himself."



Police Reports

Teens caught vandalizing Albany High School

By K. Osborn

ALBANY — During an outdoor sleep over at Albany High School on the night of June 16 and morning of June 17, officers contacted two 18-year-old boys, one from Albany and one from El Cerrito, who were involved in vandalizing the school by gluing bottles to the school doors and roof with roofing tar. One boy had roofing tar over both hands and the other had various graffiti materials in his backpack. The school will follow up on the incident.

Another 18-year-old Albany teen was arrested in connection with this activity when officers discovered a marijuana cigarette in his backpack.

Vandals smashed the rear wing window of a 1989 Honda belonging to a Richmond woman while it was parked in the north parking lot of a business on the 500 block of San Pablo Avenue on the night of June 11. There were no witnesses.

At about 4 a.m. on June 12 a Berkeley man was arrested when he was observed speeding and driving erratically on San Pablo Avenue. He admitted to consuming alcohol and failed a Field So-

briety Test.

Officers responded to reports of a man lying on the ground near Evelyn and Solano avenues on the afternoon of June 7. Officers found an 85-year-old man on the ground, very intoxicated. Due to his age and physical condition it was determined he needed medical attention and was transported to Alta Bates Medical Center.

A thief smashed the rear wing window of a red 1989 Volkswagen Jetta during the early morning hours of June 12, stole items from within and fled unseen. Because of evidence left behind, police will follow up.

On the afternoon of June 12 two Richmond men were observed dumping a large amount of tree branches on to a CalTrans lot on Eastshore Road. They were admonished about their behavior and the branches were loaded back into their truck.

Thieves used a shovel to pry open the rear window of a residence on the 1500 block of Beverly Place on the afternoon of June 13. They stole various items and departed through the rear door. There were no witnesses.

Vandals broke the left rear glass of a car belonging to a

woman on the 1000

Orday Street on the

June 16. There were

Between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on June 14 a

into a green 1977 Buick on the 1500 block of

race. There were no

Vandals used a

heating device to

by 3-foot window

on the afternoon of

were no witnesses.

Vandals sprayed

paint around a 1993

in the driveway of

the 900 block of

between 9 p.m. on

June 17. There

witnesses.

On the evening

thieves entered a

1400 block of

Some

through the unlocked

went to the kitchen

owner's purse and

of a barking dog.

During the week

Albany officers

people at their request

to 17 false alarms, at

lost animal, assisted

who were locked out

or car and responded

of a barking dog.

Letters to the Editor

Teachers need more

The Journal received a copy of the following letter addressed to Dale Hudson, Superintendent, Albany Unified School District:

We are writing to ask the District to give the teachers a two percent pay raise. After attending the School Board meeting June 13, we are now aware of the strong feelings of the teachers throughout the District and we have given a lot of thought to all the extra activities the teachers provide after seeing them spelled out on the banners the teachers displayed at the meeting. Our children have attended Marin Grade School since we moved here in 1991, a move made solely because the public school system here in Albany is so tremendous.

The central core and heart of any school system is its teachers. If they are not good at their jobs, excited about their challenges, and supported by the Superintendent, principals, School Board, and parents, then the entire school system will suffer and ultimately, the system itself will be poor. The District may have to cut some programs but we honestly don't see any other alternatives, given the facts as presented. The District and parents in the Albany community need these good teachers and we feel that a 2 percent salary increase, which translates to approximately an additional \$150,000 per year cost to the District, is an extremely cheap price to pay for their goodwill. The teacher Step And Column salary increases don't begin to match inflation and since their last salary increase was in 1993, they lag far behind in having salaries keeping up with inflation. In addition, they spend substantial amounts out of their own pockets for materials that are used in the classrooms, far higher amounts than most people realize. Plus verbal thank-yous and printed commendations don't pay PG&E. Cash, in the form of a paycheck, is the reason most people work.

We would also like to see mediators called in immediately. The District and teachers' union have been at an impasse for some three weeks and the longer the issue is unresolved, the more hard feelings there will be in the teachers' minds.

Neither side is moving, so let's get some help in here. When our kids start school in September, we want this situation to be resolved so that the teachers are thinking about curriculum, not work slowdowns or strikes. The District expects us as a parent to get our children to school on a regular basis, handle the situation if they misbehave in the classroom and do what is necessary to help the District do their job, which is Education. We, as parents and taxpayers, expect the District to run their business in a professional way and settle labor disputes in a timely manner so they can do their job, which is Education.

We would also like to request that the District and School Board keep us, the public, informed about this situation and any others that arise, possibly using our local newspaper, The Journal, as a forum. The public has a right to know what is going on in the public schools. We look forward to hearing further developments.

Karen Carlson-Olson and Henry Olson

Misguided efforts

Editor:

Fire is now visible through the smoke billowing from Albany High School following the Cinco de Mayo outrage. Years of misguided efforts to increase student "ethnic pride" and hence "self esteem" have at last set the match to the racial tensions they have been exacerbating.

Fortunately, the youth who was beaten to the floor and kicked there by students of different races seems to have emerged from the hospital without serious injuries. One wonders if some of the victim's "self esteem" was stomped out of him along with the temerity to express any views that are not "politically correct."

The message conveyed loud and clear to all by this ugly episode is this: Saying anything which might be taken amiss by a member of a minority may well earn you a multicultural stomping.

Despite mounting evidence to the contrary, Albany's school administrators haven't yet faced the fact that encouraging students to think of themselves as members of "oppressed" ethnic

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Republicans meeting

Kearseington-El Cerrito Con-
Republicans is sponsoring
on Friday June 23 at
Restaurant 1919 4th
Berkeley.

Guest speaker is Mitch Zak,
activist for the Republi-
cans. He will be speaking about
Pete Wilson's run for
of the United States.

Wilson, a Republican from Sac-
ramento, currently serves as the
Political Director for the
Wilson for President Explor-
atory Committee.

The public is invited to attend
the event, dinner reserva-
tions available through Betty
Wilson at 526-0940. The cost is
\$10 per person. A social hour be-
gins at 5 p.m. and dinner is served
at 6 p.m.

City to host July 4

Albany's July 4th celebration
will be a sold fashioned
at the city's Memorial Park
and Ramona streets from
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is free.
Lions Club Breakfast will
be held at 7 a.m.

Activities include en-
tertainment by Linda Chavez, pre-
sented by a country dance exhibition,
Tangiers doing belly
dance and Jimmie James playing
rock.

Local groups will be op-
erating booths with hamburg-
ers, dogs, ice cream, water-
melon and nachos.

Throughout the day, program
includes field games, game
astro-jump for young chil-
dren, dunk tank and lots of family
fun.

Correction

Front page photo in the June 15 edition of *The Journal* misidentified
student shown graduating from the Albany Police DARE Program.
The student is sixth grade student Georgina Goldstein. We regret the error.

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Democrats meeting

Meet Assemblywoman (and Sen-
ate candidate) Barbara Lee at the
next regular meeting of the El
Cerrito Democratic Club on Tues-
day, June 27, at 7:30 p.m. at the
Northminster Presbyterian Church,
545 Ashbury, across from El Cerrito
High.

Gate-Swingers' Dance

The next Gate-Swingers' Dance
will be at the Albany Community
Center on Sunday, June 25, from 4
to 6 p.m. Admission will be \$4 and
light refreshments will be served.

The personnel will be: Mo
Hirsch, piano; Barry Lutige, banjo;
Dana Kemp, trumpet; Adam
Heilbron, clarinet; Mike Harryman,
saxophone; Kindy Kemp, flute; Bob
Mielke, trombone. Harley White
will be guest bassist. Music will be
Dixieland plus early swing.

For further information call the
Albany Senior Center, 524-9122.
This is a dance for the commu-
nity-wide population.

Storytime highlights

California's well-known story-
teller, Nancy Schimmel, will be fea-
tured at the Albany Library, Satur-
day morning, June 24, 11 a.m.

The free program, sponsored by
the Friends of the Albany Library,
is for grades K-3.

Greta Olsen, popular retired
teacher from Vista-MacGregor, will
also join Paul Rockwell at the on-
going twilight storytime, Tuesday
evenings at 7 p.m.

Council adopts Albany waterfront park plan

By Mary Flaherty

ALBANY — The Waterfront
Committee's proposal for the Al-
bany portion of the Eastshore State
Park was approved by city council
at Monday night's meeting. The
proposal received much praise from
the council and members of the
public, but the council hesitated over
whether to officially adopt the 24-
page document without further
changes.

The East Bay Regional Park Dis-
trict (EBRPD) plans to develop a
park along the waterfront from Oak-
land to Richmond. Albany's water-
front area encompasses 160 acres,
of which 75 would become part of
the park. Although Albany has no
final say in how the shoreline park
is developed, the 15-member Wa-
terfront Committee has spent nearly
three years on a proposal intended
to serve as a recommendation to the
EBRPD.

The proposal includes sugges-
tions regarding bike and pedestrian
paths, playing fields, wildlife pro-
tection, and other topics.

"We believe we came up with a
plan that is probably as close as we
can get to a consensus," said Com-
mittee Chairperson Victoria Wake.
The committee represents a diver-
sity of opinions, she said.

In addition, the committee

sought community input through a
survey distributed to Albany resi-
dences and printed in "The Jour-
nal." It also produced a videotape
on the proposal, shown to commu-
nity groups and on Albany's cable
channel, and offered guided tours
of the waterfront.

The Committee presented an ini-
tial draft of the proposal to City
Council in March for council and
public comments, which were then
incorporated into the proposal. One
of the few changes to the final draft
includes consolidating a refresh-
ment stand, and interpretive center,
and bathrooms into one building.
The final draft also added a section
on allowing local artists to assist
with developing the park aestheti-
cally and it placed greater emphasis
on protecting wildlife.

Although council members com-
mended the committee on achiev-
ing consensus after years of con-
flict over waterfront plans, and pro-
ducing an excellent report, they
questioned whether simply to ac-
cept the report or actively adopt it.
"There's a big difference between
adopt and accept," said
Councilmember Thelma Rubin. The
report is good, as a whole, but she
has philosophical differences with
a few elements, she said.

Other council members sug-
gested merely accepting the report,

or adopting it with provisions for
changes, but committee members
wanted the council to stand behind
the report fully and achieve "close-
sure" on the project.

Committee member Steve
Granholm told the council to make
a commitment to the proposal, even
if that meant sending it back for
changes.

"I'm worried (the proposal) may
languish somewhere if council
doesn't back it," he said. "It's not
clear what impact it will have (with
the EBRPD) if the city does not
support (it)," said Granholm.

Several committee members said
that although, like Councilmember
Rubin, they don't agree with every
sentence of the proposal, it is the
product of much public input, and
is a true consensus of the
community's vision for the park.

"Let the baby be born," said
Committee member Richard
DiGrazia, urging the council to
adopt the proposal as is.

In the end, the council agreed
unanimously to approve the pro-
posal and pass it along to the East
Bay Regional Park District. Al-
though the council officially "ap-
proved" the proposal, the intention
was to "adopt" it and not merely
"accept" it, said Mayor Mike
Brodsky.

"The waterfront committee's

plan represents the city's official
position," he said.

The committee is very pleased
with the council's action, said Chair-
person Wake. Martin Vitz, an ad-
vanced planning manager from the
EBRPD, told the council that al-
though there is no official timeline
for the park development, the park
district anticipates moving into Al-
bany as quickly as it can.

The plateau area could cause
delays because the park district has
to ascertain whether there are toxic
or hazardous materials in the former
landfill, he said. CalTrans recently
did soil testing of the plateau area
where it is considering creating a
bird sanctuary as a mitigation effort
to replace bird habitat being lost as
it widens I-80. Results from that
test are not available yet, said Vitz.

Wake said the possible CalTrans
mitigation project would not inter-
fere with the committee's park pro-
posal. The park proposal is still
fluid enough to accommodate four-
acre CalTrans project if necessary,
she said.

In separate business, Brodsky
reported that a letter would be sent
to CalTrans urging the selection of
Albany's plateau for the mitigation
site over a Central Avenue site in
Richmond, on the condition that
CalTrans purchase the entire 29-
acre plateau for the park.

Retired teachers award scholarships to students

The West Contra Costa Division
of the California Retired Teachers
Association recently presented
\$1,000 scholarships to each of 15
graduating seniors from six high
schools of the West Contra Costa
Unified School District.

The A.L. Bernes Memorial
Scholarships were awarded at the
June 6 luncheon meeting of the
Retired Teachers in Linder Hall of

St. Luke's Methodist Church, 32nd
Street and Barrett Avenue, Rich-
mond.

The awards are based on demon-
strated leadership in four years of
high school and noteworthy ser-
vices to school and community.

The 15 recipients who were hon-
ored are, De Anza High School:
Christopher Bertera, Kiranjot

Sarkaria, Jerry Yee; Delta High
School: Victoria Orellana; El
Cerrito High School: Leila Karim;
Kennedy High School: Sonja Jack-
son, Giovanni Palomo, Brandee
Steward, Cindie Young; Pinole
Valley High School: Michael Au,
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North of the border

MONTREAL—"You bought the morning paper?" asked my host here with a mixture of incredulity and disgust. "I wish you hadn't. It's so depressing to look at, and I always get angry."

Still, I was a columnist for the Montreal Gazette for several years in the 1970s. Not only am I used to reading a morning paper daily, I wanted to see if anyone I knew was still working for The Gazette. Few were. Some had died in the intervening two decades. But even more had left—as in moved, many to Toronto, 450 miles away. My host's media avoidance was a typical coping mechanism I found here—not only among the dwindling English-speaking population, but also among most of our long-time French-speaking friends. And if the Gazette had been doing its job, much of what I saw here might not have been allowed to happen.

Later this summer, Quebec Premier Jacques Parizeau's separatist government will decide whether to place a referendum on the ballot this fall asking Quebecers whether they want to separate from Canada. A similar referendum was soundly defeated in 1980. This one probably will be, too, but the damage has already been done.

It is sad to see one of the great cities in the world, perhaps the most livable and elegant in North America, in decline. The differences in four years, the last time I was up here, are sobering. The political instability caused by talk of separation has taken its toll, as best evidenced by all the boarded-up offices on the city's main commercial thoroughfare, Ste. Catherine's Street. Imagine seeing boarded-up banks on Montgomery Street in San Francisco, and you'll get an idea of what it's like here today. Montreal was until recently Canada's banking and insurance center. When it appeared England might be overrun by the Nazis in World War II, the Crown Jewels were sent to Montreal from London for storage in the Sun Life Insurance Building, so stable was this city's financial center.

"Our government is living in a fantasy world," says my book publisher, May Cutler. "This province is slipping into the third world, and the government's media campaign is blithely ignoring it. Have you called

the phone line yet?"

She was referring to the Gouvernement of Quebec's latest absurdity, a voice-mail system called The 10 Most-Asked Questions About Sovereignty. For example, "Will your Canadian passport still be good after Quebec becomes independent?" The phone line says "Oui." But the federal government in Ottawa which controls such things says "Non."

"It reminds me of the catechism when I was growing up as a Catholic here," says disgusted Montreal native Peter Starr. "Simple, incredible, answers to commonly asked questions. You don't have to think."

And so on. This cynical media campaign is being orchestrated by the same clowns in the provincial capital of Quebec City who decided that all English-language signs and billboards in once-bilingual Montreal should be outlawed, even though Canada is officially a bilingual country. This is one of those ideas that sound good in theory, but don't work very well in reality (like busing, perhaps?). Voila... no more American tourists. In the summer, New York state license plates in Quebec were once common. In seven days here, I spotted none. Voila... no more tourist industry, something central to Quebec's once-healthy economy.

"I got off at the wrong floor in Place Ville-Marie the other day," says publisher Cutler, referring to one of downtown Montreal's biggest office buildings. "I was amazed. The offices were empty. Most of the businesses had moved to Toronto. Technically, though, they're still paying off their leases, although those 10-year leases are about to end. So the Quebec government can tell its people that the office space is rented and technically not be lying."

There are several lessons to be learned here by Americans. One that comes to the forefront is Gingrich and Co.'s determination to diminish the power of the federal government.

You want a weak central government? Historically, Canada has always had one, and its Supreme Court has demurred from overturning the heavy-handed language laws that have disenfranchised Quebec's English-speaking minority and has deprived it of basic Canadian constitutional rights. The Canadian political uncertainty and instability because of Quebec has driven the Canadian dollar down. You think the American dollar has been pounded? When I lived in Canada in the '70s, the Canadian dollar was actually worth about \$1.02 American. This week it was 72 cents—and still headed down.

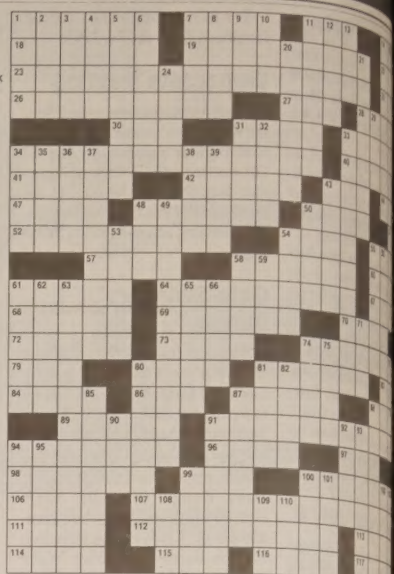
So if you really think a weak and ineffectual federal government is a good idea, check out what's happening

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up here. Not that many Americans know or care much about their neighbor to the north: When Bob Dole was telling Americans on network TV last year that the Canadian health-care system didn't work, no one in the U.S. media, it seems, bothered to check and find out he was lying. The great health-care system here isn't perfect, but it's one of the few things here that still works.

The Montreal subway system, The Metro, also still works. And unlike BART, a promising system when it started at about the same time, the Metro has continued to expand over the years. Imagine being able to take BART up to Piedmont, or over to the S.F. Zoo, or down to San Jose, and you'll have an idea of how extensive the Metro system here is.

But even zipping around Montreal

in Le Metro, you can't escape the Quebec government's Alice-in-Wonderland media campaign. Those same most-asked questions are also posted in the subway. "Is Quebec ready to be an independent country?" Bien sur. We have more than enough natural resources. Even though New York state isn't buying Quebec's excess hydroelectric power, its biggest export, as envisioned.

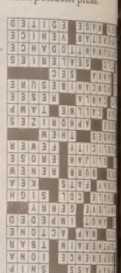
This isn't just a French-English issue. Most of our French-speaking friends, once ardent separatists, are about to leave their native province in disgust and dismay at what's been going on. "The only Quebecois who'll remain," says one, Jean-Guy, "are the people who are either stupid enough or glib enough to believe all this B.S. les separatistes are feeding them in the

media."

I am disappointed most at my old newspaper. The Gazette was founded by Benjamin Franklin in 1779 and once proclaimed "It is a newspaper's business to print the news and raise hell."

Now the Gazette is too fearful of the separatists to run straight business stories about this ominous flight of capital and possible impending economic collapse. Moody's downgraded the province's bonds when I was here—Quebec has a staggering, \$82 BILLION deficit. And also last week, the International Olympic Committee laughingly dismissed Quebec's bid for the 2002 Winter Games, citing economic problems. "We're afraid of being called racists," says one Gaz-eteer. "We can't even

call these people separatists," says the reporter. "There's so gutless it now refers to Canada as 'sovereignty' underlines the importance of independent press."



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Albany PTA Council News

By Peggy Thow

Parents should stay informed on budget

chool's out, and teachers are up their classrooms. must also be wondering progress on their contract negotiations. At last week's board meeting, a long-room-only crowd as the Albany Teachers Association (ATA) presented listing teachers' non-actual (voluntary) school activities. The lists were long, and, and impressive —

thing from organizing and raising camping trips to classroom supplies, with own money, on their own

teachers emphasized that these things willingly believe our kids these experiences and these

ATA, teachers feel valued — not by parents, by the school board and the administration. The

wants a two-percent raise teachers. As of last week had been offered only a percent.

the district, as we all know, been hard-pressed for

ay. However, teachers say are the district's most able asset, and they think should go to the front of

the line in budget considerations. The ATA suggested that in a hundred small ways teachers have subsidized the district. They have done so out of a sense of professionalism and a pride in doing the best job they can do for the Albany schools.

Parents whose children have been in the schools for a few years know how much the "voluntary" teacher activities have meant to their kids. In fact, parents and other volunteers also subsidize the district by providing transportation for field trips, money for instructional aides, help with landscape maintenance, disaster preparedness, and a hundred other things. We parents feel that such things are too important to be left out of our children's lives.

(On a recent camping trip with my fourth-grader, I was relieved to find a doctor among our parents — she examined my daughter's tick-bite, gave me expert advice on treating it, and told me how to look out for Lyme disease, all while bandaging another child's foot and keeping track of half a dozen prescription medicines needed by various campers. I don't know if she ever got to see

the great outdoors! Does the district know the extent of skills their parents have?)

The PTA always takes a neutral position in any collective bargaining disputes. However, "neutral" doesn't mean "uninvolved." In fact, the California State PTA specifically charges local PTA organizations with "a responsibility to become knowledgeable and to inform the public about proposed contracts." The criterion for any discussion of contracts, they say, is "What will the effect be on our children?"

Any raises for teachers would come at a price somewhere else in the budget. Recognizing that fact, we need to inform ourselves of the budget's provisions. None of us wants to be surprised in September. What will the effect be on our children? All parents and members of our community should be asking themselves — and their school board — this same question.

The next School Board meeting is Tuesday, June 27, in Cornell's Multi-Use Room, at 7:30 p.m. The Board is scheduled to approve next year's budget.

Albany City Meetings

Thursday, June 22

• Traffic and Safety Commission, 7 p.m., Conference Room, City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Ave. 528-5760. On the agenda: Establishing 1995 work program for commission.

Tuesday, June 27

• Planning & Zoning Commission, 8 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Ave. 528-5760.

• Pension board, 10 a.m., Conference Room, City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Ave. 528-5730. On the agenda: Actuarial analysis of pension fund.

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Scouts honored from left to right Nicole Nelson, Sarah Richardson, Rebecca White, Emily Cornet, and Adria Franks.

Girls Scouts achieve rare success

EL CERRITO — It's a rare accomplishment. Every member of El Cerrito Girl Scout Troop #1140 has earned her Gold Award, a major achievement, equivalent to reaching Eagle Scout rank in Boy Scouts.

Mayor Norman La Force awarded four out of seven members of the troop (those who live in El Cerrito and attend El Cerrito High School) individual commendations from the city at the city council's June 19 meeting.

He also presented a special commendation to the troop as a whole for service to the community.

"...Kelly Bradley, Emily Cornet, Adria Frank, Nicole Nelson, Jennifer Rastegar, Sarah Richardson, and Rebecca White ...performed valuable services to the Girl Scout program and to the community," said La Force, who also commended troop leaders Margaret Richardson and Jennifer White for the time and energy they've devoted to the girls and their projects.

In order to receive the Gold Award, each girl was required to complete a major community service project lasting at least four months and to earn a number of merit badges and other awards.

The projects pursued by the four El Cerrito girls honored at the council meeting reflect a variety of inter-

ests and contributions to the community.

Rebecca White chose to revitalize the costume and prop storage room at El Cerrito High School.

"We call it the Dungeon," said White, a member of Thespians who's acted in a number of E.C.H.S. plays.

"When I first started the project, nothing was even hung up. I categorized it, labelled it, and put everything into a computer program."

White's costume program is cross-categorized by size, historical period, color and other data.

The drama department is now using the information for its productions.

Sarah Richardson created a curriculum to teach younger Girl Scouts about Scouting (Girl Guides) in Egypt. Richardson worked with 150 girls on Thinking Day and at Camporee, teaching them the art of paper-making as part of the curriculum she'd developed.

That curriculum is now kept as a resource for the use of all local Girl Scout troops through the local council office.

"Because of Sarah Richardson's work, better understanding between two countries is fostered," reads her commendation.

Nicole Nelson combined her expertise in computers with another project benefiting younger children. She inventoried and organized the materials in the center, entering all the information into a computer data base, and developed a catalogue of materials and their location in the center.

The information is now available to all Madera's teachers. "I went to Madera School, and I wanted to give something back to the community and the school that helped me out," Nelson said.

Adria Franks chose to clean up and rehabilitate Tassajara Park with the help of volunteers she organized.

She repainted play structures, lines on play surfaces and a graffiti-covered wall, weeded, cut back ivy and installed new benches. Franks' work was profiled in a recent Journal article.

Richardson and White have another year to spend in the El Cerrito community.

Each just finished her junior year at E.C.H.S. Nelson and Franks are moving on; they just graduated.

Nelson will attend the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor; Franks will attend Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington.

Library appointee sought

EL CERRITO — Citizens are to volunteer for a vacant position on the Contra Costa Library Commission to represent El Cerrito for a two-year term through July 14, 1997.

The Library Commission was established by the Board of Supervisors to provide a community link to county library, to provide a forum for community input, to provide assistance to the board and to county librarian, and to recommend proposals for bettering county services, including recom-

mendations for insuring a stable and adequate funding level.

The El Cerrito Public Library is a branch of the county library.

The commission currently meets on the fourth Tuesday evening of each month at 7 p.m. in Pleasant Hill. Various subcommittees also meet at different times.

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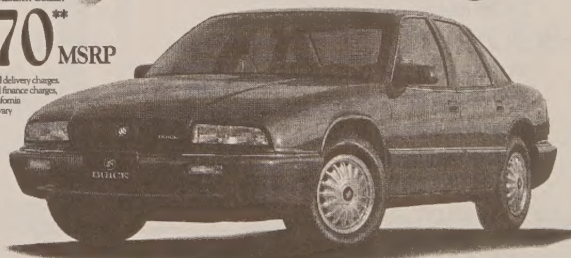
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Local Jazzercise group exercises more than their bodies

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But, as Barbara Etzel tells us, it is more than that. It is a group of people having fun together, yes, getting the exercise they need, yes, but also aware of the outside world and aware of the fact that they can do something for people who may not have the money, time, health, or whatever it takes to join a Jazzercise group.

Barbara Etzel is one of the teachers who lead Jazzercise groups in a large, attractively painted and curtained hall at 5327 Jacuzzi Ave. I mention the painting and curtains, because Barbara and her cohorts did the painting and curtain-making themselves, and it brightens and warms up what would be a large, cold room.

And, Barbara says, everyone in the group is so giving.

"Everyone realizes that we have so much," and so they share some of what they have with others.

Marianne Higgins oftentimes leads them into special philanthropies. For instance, she once brought two Indians, Quichua Indians from the Ecuadorian Amazon region, to the class.

One of them was an old chief from Panama. He was very interested in the dances they were doing, saying some of them were very similar to the dances that his tribe does. He showed them pictures of their island and described their life. They have no electricity and are very poor. The group now collects pencils and other supplies for the school children there.

They also collect towels and blankets for the SPCA, so that the animals will have a warm place to lie. Every Christmas

they have a food drive for the needy. This past year it was for the Souper Center in Richmond, for which they collected not only food, but also things like sweaters and gloves for the clients of the center.

Barbara says she receives requests in the mail for help, or someone in the class knows of or works in a particular charity that needs help. "It is the women, themselves, who do it," she says. "And we are all happy to be part of it."

Jazzercise is 99 percent women, although some men do take part.

The entire Jazzercise organization of the Bay Area did fund-raising for breast cancer last fall. They had jazz dance-a-thons, donated hours of Jazzercise, members got pledges from friends, and Steve Young auctioned off one of his jerseys. (The lady who bought it wears it all the time, we are told.) They

have also done this for the American Heart Association for many years.

Barbara Etzel has been teaching Jazzercise for 13 years. "I happened into a class, just loved it, and knew I had found something that suits me."

She is a single mother of Kim and Susan. They were respectively 2-1/2 years old and only 6 months old when she became a single parent. She tried to do things that would allow her to be home with them, while still making a living.

Finding that work outside the home was impossible; she did family child care for some time. It was when they grew a little older that she got into Jazzercise, which allowed her to be at home a great deal of the time.

"All of the preparation is done at home," she explains. "And I was only out of the home for the classes."

Community Folk

By Clara Rae Genser



It was a very good decision, she says, "for me and for them." They are now 24 and 21 years old. One thing they grew up with was the knowledge that fitness must be a lifetime commitment. As a matter of fact, one of her daughters is also a teacher now.

Born in Allentown, Pa., Barbara graduated from Pennsylvania State University before she and her husband moved out here. After her divorce she decided to stay, and she is glad she did, although being a single parent of two very little girls was difficult. But "you can't go back."

Barbara is proud of what she has accomplished, and proud of the daughters she has raised. Kim is a schoolteacher now, in her first year of teaching. She is a substitute, but has had a kindergarten class in Albany for two or three months now, and loves it. She graduated from UC-Santa Barbara, where Susan is now a student, studying business.

Going back to her Jazzercise classes (she loves to talk about

them), she noted that just had a birthday member who is 50. "Everyone is here for a reason," she says. "I have to congratulate taking time out of the days to do this." She is important to take care of yourself, as much as for your body."

This is the 25th year of Jazzercise. Etzel was founder of this class in 50.

As for Barbara, what she does, and wants to do. She loves with her classes. She so much back from

Thank you, Marlene Hegeman, for calling Barbara Etzel and I didn't anticipate such a delightful person.

And I invite all of me your ideas: improve people, events, travel, etc. Please write to 555 Pierce St., #440, 94706, or call 525-94706. Writing is better.

Educational effort on new tobacco law underway

Contra Costa County health officials are launching an educational effort to help local merchants avoid penalties for failing to comply with a new State law aimed at protecting young people from tobacco.

The Contra Costa County Health Services Department's Tobacco Prevention Project is offering local merchants assistance in getting ready for the STAKE Act, Stop Tobacco Access to Kids Enforcement Act.

The new law, effective July 1, requires merchants to post signs

indicating selling tobacco to persons under 18 is illegal and can be subject to fines.

Signs must also indicate that ID verification is required and that a state toll-free number is available (after July 1) to report illegal sales.

"We want to make sure all of the merchants in Contra Costa County who sell tobacco understand what the law requires and how to comply with it," said Galen Ellis, Director of the Tobacco Prevention Project.

Ellis said although it is already

illegal to sell tobacco to minors, the new law allows State Health Department inspectors to make random "stings" to check on compliance. The state hotline for reporting violations is also new.

"The bottom line is that it takes an entire village to raise a child. We are calling on merchants to become part of the team to reduce the impact of tobacco on young people," Ellis said, adding that reducing the proliferation of ad-

vertising aimed at young people would also help.

To get the word out to merchants, the Tobacco Prevention Project is asking chambers of commerce and police departments for help and is offering Contra Costa merchants written information and technical assistance to help understand the new law.

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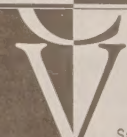
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El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce

By Sewall Glinernick

Local businesses to be honored

Reservations are still being taken for a special Recognition Dinner to be held by the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce Monday night at the Cerrito Club.

Those honored at this event will include over 50 local businesses who have joined the Chamber in the past 12 months.

The dinner, open to all members of the Chamber, will be held Monday night at 6:30 p.m.

Each new member will be given a place and given time to make their firm's work.

Businesses wishing to put up displays, distribute flyers and use out promotional material will be able to do so by contacting the Chamber office.

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The El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce is welcoming to membership Frank Sweis, owner of Sweis's Gyros & Pitas, a new restaurant in Del Norte at 11740 San Pablo Ave.;

telephone 215-0378.

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The Odds 'N Ends Trading Post, one of the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce's newer members, believes in doing business the "old-fashioned way" — by trading something you got for something you want.

Owner Ron Menard's method of doing business is more than a little unusual by today's standards.

"At the Odds 'N Ends Trading Post it's not a question of what I'm selling an item for, it's a question of what the customer can afford to pay," Menard explains.

"We've gone back to the days when people had very little money and survived by trading products and goods with their neighbors."

In addition to paying cash, customers can bring in a usable item and receive credit on a future purchase, according to Menard.

Should the customer want to



Odds 'N Ends Trading Post owner Ron Menard with Chamber President Vera Boyovich (right) and Mayor Pro-tem Cathie Kosel.

sell the item, Menard will buy it. If the customer wants more than he can pay, Menard will accept it on a consignment basis.

The owner of the Trading Post strongly objects to the suggestion that he's running a "junk store."

"It's not junk," he declares, "it's pre-owned merchandise. What we're doing is just another

form of recycling. It just does not make sense to throw something away that can still be used."

The store, located in a quonset hut at 11952 San Pablo Ave., is like a crowded attic, jam-packed with hundreds of different items.

So great is the selection of merchandise — both big and

small — that many people spend hours shopping for things they can use.

There's no telling what can be found at the Trading Post on any given day. There are unusual items like a stuffed lion's head or a Rolls-Royce golf cart, as well as the more ordinary selection of household goods.

While the Trading Post offers no used clothes for adults, it does sell new clothes when they become available.

The store's inventory also includes a big selection of washed and pressed used children's clothes, drapes and sheets.

Among the bigger pre-owned items to be found here are cars, boats, motorcycles, washers, dryers, refrigerators and freezers.

Thirty-nine-year-old Menard, a 1974 graduate of Pinole Valley High School, gets "great delight" in giving people what they want at prices they can afford.

This policy, combined with his willingness to trade and his habit of giving a free toy to

children who come in with their parents and to each adult on holidays, allows the Trading Post to turn its inventory over each week.

"We get customers who come in every week just to see what's new," Menard claims.

He credits the people of El Cerrito for the development of the Trading Post.

"Last year, shortly after I was forced to move here from Calaveras County to take care of my sick grandmother," he explains, "I rented the quonset hut on San Pablo Avenue just to store the antiques and collectibles I had accumulated in a 4,000-square-foot warehouse in Calaveras County."

"People saw the door to the quonset hut open and just started coming in. Since then, word-of-mouth and giving them what they wanted at prices they could afford has made this business what it is today."

As a convenience to those who prefer to shop after supper, Odds 'N Ends Trading Post is open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday throughout the summer.

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PRIME TIME LIVING

By Joe King

Claremont House Has Many Activities

"You may have picked a timely moment for your interview," Barbara Mercer, resident and former school psychologist, told me as she completed a financial

transaction with the lady from the bank. "The \$114 just deposited is the start of the Claremont House Scholarship Fund. We have several young people

employed here, mainly kitchen and housekeeping staff. We may not be able to offer a lot of money to a recipient among them each year, but it should be of

help." I learned that the entire sum of this initial deposit came from the sale of an Afghan made at Claremont House's workshop (held every Tuesday). "We're quite busy here," Mercer added. Then I learned about EPIC which seems to be Mercer's main project these days. EPIC stands for Emergency Preparedness Committee. "Before moving in here, I organized the neighborhood where I lived for preparedness; so it seemed only natural to start a committee here. We got things rolling last September," Mercer explained.

"First we organized the House, floor by floor, with a captain for each floor - all the standard earthquake safety preparations," she continued. "Then we decided to outreach into the surrounding community and had a small organizational meeting with leaders of neighborhood watch groups. Next we had a large informational meeting where our main speaker was Mr. Renteria, Oakland's Emergency Service Director. He had only recently returned from Japan where he saw the devastation in Osaka and Kobe. Unfortunately, many disaster lessons are learned the

hard way," Mercer said. Well what are some lessons? What are some preparedness activities under way at Claremont? "We see ourselves as a communication center and nearby neighborhood," Mercer gestured. Janet Sellen, the Chairperson of Claremont who, along with Mercer, had joined our interview could serve as a liaison aid center while improving to be transported to medical facilities. What what people don't know continued

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El Cerrito student musician to tour China

EL CERRITO - Joel Schekman, a student musician from El Cerrito, will play on the international stage next week on a tour of China with the Oakland Youth Orchestra. The seven-city tour, which includes Hong Kong, Beijing, Shanghai and Taipei and others, is highlighted by concerts and cultural exchanges.

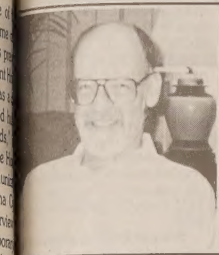
The award-winning orchestra will perform new works by Chen Yi and Tyzen Hsiao, two of the Bay Area's top musicians who were born in Guangzhou, China and Kaoshiung, Taiwan respectively. These two works premiered in Oakland this month, and will be on the repertoire which also includes works

by Tchaikovsky, Gershwin, Bernstein and traditional Chinese folk music. The group leaves on June 24.

Chevron Overseas Petroleum, Inc. is sponsoring the orchestra's tour of the Summer Palace in Beijing and a post-concert reception for students and invited guests.

Now in its 30th season, the Oakland Youth Orchestra is an independent non-profit group of musicians aged 12 to 22. The orchestra, which holds four prizes from the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, is supported by tuition, corporations and foundation grants.

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Chana Bloch of Claremont House
 Claremont House
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in a major catastrophe, the regular emergency people come overloaded and can't

respond as quickly as people are used to. We could also provide child care as needed immediately after a disaster."

Sillen and Cyens also informed me that about 1/3 to 1/2 of the residents currently have emergency kits in their apartments. "They cost between \$20 and \$50 and can be bought from an earthquake store out on San Pablo Ave. in Berkeley," Cyens volunteered. "The small kit has supplies for three days, the larger ones have more. Of course, if people want to put their own miniature backpacks together, we have information sheets on what they should contain."

They hope they never have to

put all this to use; but they're getting ready at Claremont House.

On the brighter side, this reporter discovered that a person would have to work at it to become bored while living there. It's activity schedule covers a broad range.

All three of my energetic hosts were filling me in on such activities as Tai Chi and other exercise classes, current events classes, the book club, and a writers' group which meets each week. Weekly music appreciation classes are held every Tuesday and indoor/outdoor plant care classes on Saturday.

"We also have bridge, bingo, and blackjack and billiards along with other games," Sillen said. "And our ice cream socials and the wine bar (three afternoons a week) are very popular."

"There are shopping trips, and 'Out to Dinner' nights," Cyens chimed in. "And the movies - we have movies here three times a week, including one foreign

film on Sundays. Plus, we have 'Out to the Movie' night too.

"You can see why we have a reputation as having far more activities than most other residence houses," Sillen smiled.

Barbara Mercer also mentioned the community outreach program. "Volunteers from Claremont House go out into the community and work with schools, senior citizen centers and even the zoo. We don't think of

ourselves as senior citizens - rather, we're seasoned citizens," she said with a friendly grin.

Before leaving, I was introduced to one of Claremont House's distinguished residents, Ariel Bloch, a recently retired professor of Near Eastern Studies from the University of California in Berkeley. Professor Bloch has authored and co-authored five books and is an authority on semitic languages.



Barbara Mercer of Claremont House

His last publication was a translation with an introductory and commentary on the Biblical "Song of Songs," co-authored with Chana Bloch. He too stays active and conducts tutorials in Hebrew.

Professor Bloch also expressed his warm feelings and gratefulness for the kindness of the staff at Claremont House.

All in all, I learned that the Claremont House is not merely a six story, modern and beautifully landscaped senior residence which overlooks Rockridge Shopping Center and San Francisco Bay - it's veritable beehive of activity for those residents who wish to keep busy. Its location is 4500 Gilbert Street in Oakland.

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Berkeley Store Gallery: June 28, 8:30 p.m.: Steel Drum and piano with Elizabeth Lamentia; 9:30 p.m. Graham Connah Group: 2295 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 528-8440.

The Golden Age: Through July 2, Thursdays—Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays 2 p.m.: Presented by TheatreFIRST; based on true story by Australian playwright Louis Nowra; directed by Ric Prindle and Paul Silverman; original sound and score by Judy Munsen; Julia Morgan Theater, 2640 College Ave., Berkeley; 84-JULIA.

Hawaiian Music: Live at Templebar Restaurant: Fridays, 9 p.m. (Hula demonstration 9:30 p.m.); Saturdays, 9:30 p.m.: Hula & Tahitian Floorshow featuring The Pua Mae "Ole Dancers."

Ashkenaz: June 22, 9 p.m.: Mutupo, dance music from Zimbabwe: June 23, 9:30 p.m.: Rankin Scroo & Ginger with Sister Live: June 24, 9:30 p.m.: California Cajon Orchestra with Danny Poullard: June 25, 8 p.m.: Flamenco, open stage: June 27, 9:00 p.m.: Danny Poullard performs Cajon Dance music: June 28, 9:00 p.m.: Rhumba Bms with Jitterbug/Jump R & B: 1317 San Pablo, Berkeley; 525-5054.

Berkeley Repertory Theatre: An Ideal Husband by Oscar Wilde, directed by Stephen Wadsworth: Sats, 2 p.m.; Suns, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Tues-Sats, 8 p.m.: closes July 16; 2025 Addison St., Berkeley; 204-8901.

Freight & Salvage: June 22, Tony Elman & April Core Album Release celebration: Sun-Thurs, 8 p.m.; Fri and Sat, 8:30 p.m.: 1111 Addison St., Berkeley; 548-7603.

Julia Morgan Theatre: June 26, 7:00 p.m.: David Ogden Stiers will perform a staged reading of *Autumn Canticle* by John W. Lowell and directed by Reid Davies: Leo Downey and Dan Johnson complete the cast in which the romantic and rocky union of two witty men is explored; 2640 College Ave., Berkeley; (415) 243-9895.

Kimball's East: June 21-24: Stanley Turrentine; all shows at 8 and 10 p.m.; Shellmound St., Emeryville, 658-2555.

La Peña Cultural Center: June 23, 7:30 p.m.: Linda Tillery & the Cultural Heritage Choir perform American folk standards and African-American survival music: June 24, 8:00 p.m.: Half n' Half: Bay Area Coda (children of deaf adults) perform ASL (American Sign Language) storytelling set to music: 3105 Shattuck Ave., 849-2568, ext. 15.

Masquers Playhouse: "A Day in Hollywood/A Night in the Ukraine" double feature through July 22: Fridays and Saturdays, 8:30 p.m.: Sunday matinees, 2:30 p.m.; 105 Park Place; Richmond; 232-3888.

Starry Plough: June 22, 9:30 p.m.: 510 Magazine and KALX present Johnnie Darks; June 23: Bedlam Rovers, Charming Hostess, and Giant Ant Farm, no time given: June 24, 9:30 p.m.: Sloe Gin Joes and the Bluebell Wranglers: June 25, 9:30 p.m.: Beerbarrel, Polcats, Old Joe Clarks, and Turpentine: 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 841-2082.

Religious activities

Berkeley Beit Midrash: Study for Adults and Teens through June 23, 5:30-8:45 p.m., Sun - Thurs.; All levels of experience; Hebrew not required; Congregation Beth Israel; 1630 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; 644-2455.

First Congregational Church: of Berkeley: June 24, 1995, 7:00 p.m.: "Celestial Serenade" performed by the Lotus Ensemble with musical director Ron Hart: 2345 Channing Way, Berkeley; 874-4780.

First Unitarian Church: of Berkeley: June 24, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.: "The Natural Life: An Endangered Species" with Meredith Sabini, Ph.D.: \$20.00 suggested donation: One Lawson Road, Kensington; 527-1247.

Northbrae Community Church: June 25, 10:00 a.m.: The origins of biblical literature for adults and teens: morning worship at 11:00 a.m.: Church council meets at 1:00 p.m.: 941 The Alameda, Berkeley; 527-0975.

The 5:45: Evening worship service with contemporary Christian praise music, conversation and refreshment. Every Sunday at First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley, 2407 Dana St., Berkeley; 848-6252.

Self-Realization Fellowship: June

24, 7 p.m.: An evening of cosmic chants by Paramahansa Yogananda performed by The Lotus Ensemble: At the First Congregational Church of Berkeley, 2345 Channing Way; 874-4780.

St. Alban's Episcopal Church: June 22, Rev. James Stickney: "Who Do the Crowds Say that I am?" from Luke 9:18; Coffee Hour at Walker's Pie Shop after; Holy Eucharist at 8 and 10 a.m. Sundays, 11 a.m.; Evensong 4 p.m.; Wednesdays; Adults Bible Study 9 a.m.; Sunday School child care 10 a.m.; 1501 Washington Ave., Albany; 525-1716.

Events, meetings, classes...

Albany/Berkeley Interdependent Elders Network: June 29, 4-6 p.m.: The Community Care Service Bank is sponsoring an orientation session to assist neighbors in helping other neighbors: 2530 San Pablo Ave., Suite A, Berkeley; 644-8978.

Alzheimer's Services of the East Bay: June 25, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.: "Songs and Sundae" event featuring a prize drawing, silent auction, bluegrass music, and all the ice cream you can eat. Proceeds benefit ASEA, which provides day care and support services for those affected by Alzheimer's disease: Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley; 644-8292.

Cody's Books: June 25, 7:30 p.m.: Poetry read by Lucille Day and Steve Root, 2454 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley; 845-7852.

Berkeley Bunny Festival: June 24, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.: Series of workshops on grooming, handling, socialization, health and nutrition and bunny-proofing your home; sponsored by the East Bay Humane Society and House Rabbit Society; Preregister: 845-7735.

Berkeley Democratic Club: June 22, 7:30 p.m.: General membership meeting with discussion on current budget deliberations: Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda.

Berkeley Farmers' Market: Sundays, 11-3 p.m.: Fresh California produce near People's Park; parking available: June 25, 12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.: Musical performers Token People, Mokai, and Eli Yates: Haste St. at Telegraph, Berkeley.

Berkeley Public Library: June 23, 7:30 p.m.: Lesbian author, Ann Bannon, and gay rights activist, Jose Sarria, will do readings and give a talk about their lives in a program entitled, "Stonewall 25 Plus One": West Branch library, 1125 University Ave., Berkeley; 644-6870.

Berkeley-Oukasie Sister Community Project: June 25, 5:30-7:30 p.m.: Reception honoring Jacob Moatshe, Community Development Director of Oukasie, South Africa. Berkeley's sister community, 155 Tamalpais, Berkeley; 540-7281.

Community Workshops: June 22, Planning for Access and Inclusion, sponsored by the World Institute on Disability of Oakland; Both events at 6:30 p.m. in Gallery B, UAM/PFA.

Cody's: June 22, Jim Cassidy and Fryar Calhoun, *Western Whitewater from the Rockies to the Pacific*; All events at 7:30 p.m.; 2454 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley; 525-5476.

Dance Classes For Adults: Ongoing ballet, modern, jazz and floor barre; special children's program; 2704 Alcatraz Ave., Berkeley; 654-5921.

East Bay Asian Youth Center: June 26, 7:00 p.m.: Special screening of "a.k.a. Don Bonus": Winner of Best Bay Area Documentary at the 1995

San Francisco International Film Festival: Berkeley Repertory Theatre, 2025 Addison St., Berkeley; 464-1262.

The Ecology Center: June 29, 7:30 p.m.: Forum presentation on, "Ecopsychology: The Greening of Therapy": Berkeley Friends Church, 1600 Sacramento, Berkeley; 548-2220.

GAIA Bookstore: June 22, Stanley Young, *Paradise Found: Beautiful Retreats & Sanctuaries of California and the Southwest*; 7:30 p.m.; 1400 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 848-GAIA.

Hebrew In One Day: June 25, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.: Using games, songs, taped conversation and music; Lehrhausa Judaica; 2736 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; 845-6420.

Kensington Senior Center: 11 a.m.-noon weekly program: June 22, Victor Stepan shows slides on "Ethiopia Rediscovered"; Pollock and salad bar at noon; Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington; 526-9146.

Marcel Pagnol's Provence on screen: June 15-30 at the Pacific Film Archive; (Chez Panisse, named for a character in the *Fanny* trilogy, will offer special Provence menus Mondays in June); UAM/PFA, 2625 Durant Avenue, Berkeley.

Marquetry Class: For beginners; every Tues, 10 - noon at the Berkeley Adult School. Open to anyone 50 or older; for more info visit St. John's Senior Center, 2727 College Ave. and Garber St., Berkeley.

North Berkeley Senior Center: June 22, 1:00 p.m.: "Strictly Ballroom"; June 23, 1:00 p.m.: "Tosca"; June 26, 1:30 p.m.: Poetry Writing with Nancy Wilson: June 27, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.: Blood Pressure Measuring: June 27, 10:30 a.m.: Dealing with Health & Other Life Changes with Betty Goren: June 27, 1:00 p.m.: Songs from the 20s & 40s with Toru & Sha: 1901 Hearst/MLK Jr. Way; Berkeley; 644-6107.

Out To Africa: July 23-Aug. 24; month-long safari to Kenya led by David Miller; eight students between ages of 15 and 22 have signed up; cost is \$1,890 without airfare; call 528-2780.

Real Estate Courses: At Albany Adult School: June 20 & 22: "Selling a Home"; June 27 & 29: "Buying a Home"; Both are 7-9 p.m.; Preregistration encouraged; 655 Key Route, Albany; 559-6580.

REI: June 22, "Going Gourmet" with Carole Latimer, author of *Wilderness Cuisine: How to Prepare and Enjoy Fine Food on the Trail and in Camp*; Events at 7 p.m.; 1338 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley; 527-4140.

Richmond Art Center: Summer Classes and Workshops begin June 20 and include ceramics, textiles, metalworking, painting and drawing; also, classes for children and youth ages 3-16; June 21-29, Rug Weaving Class; June 22-Aug. 3, Glass Fusing; 25th and Barrett Ave., Civic Center Plaza; Richmond; 620-6772.

Summer Camp for children with asthma; sponsored by the American Lung Association: June 19-30; Lake Tahoe or Brannan Island State Park in Isleton; scholarships available; call 935-0472 for more information.

Terrace Lounge: June 22, Blue Plate Special: music begins at 9 p.m.; Ashby and Domingo Aves, Oakland; 549-8576.

Trades Education Network (TEN): June 26, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.: Resource fair, "Blue Collar Choices for Women," featuring employment

training providers, social service agencies, and women who work in blue collar occupations throughout the Bay Area. Oakland Convention Center; 891-0644.

Turning Point Career Center: June 22 and 29, 6-9 p.m.: "Telemarket Your Way to Your Own Successful Business" workshop; YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way; 848-6370.

Twilight Storytime: Through July 25, Tuesdays at 7 p.m. for children ages 3-6: New series with Paul Rockwell; Greta Olsen will also drop in; preregistration requested: 526-3720; Albany Library.

U.C. Botanical Garden: June 24 and 25, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.: "Bug Days!": Exhibitions, tours, and arts and crafts covering the wild world of bugs and their interactions with plants: U.C. Botanical Garden, Centennial Drive, Berkeley; 642-3352.

World Affairs Council: Alameda Chapter: June 29, 7:00 p.m.: Lecture: "Immigration and Integration: Challenges for the 1990's" given by U.C. Davis Professor Philip Martin: Albany Library, Edith Stone Room, 1249 Marin Ave., Albany; (415) 982-2541.

Y.W.C.A.: June 27, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: Workshop entitled, "Electronic Job Search": Participants learn whether they should get online to enhance their job search. Computer and technical competency are not required: Y.W.C.A., 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; 848-6370.

Exhibits

Art-on-Site: Four week series, July 5-26, 1-3 p.m.: Field trips to local Bay Area museums, galleries and exhibition sites; registration forms at the Berkeley Richmond Jewish Center; 1414 Walnut St., Berkeley.

Warren Pierce: Dreams and Star Beams: Through August 19, first one-person show for San Francisco artist; The Ames Gallery; 2661 Cedar St., Berkeley; 845-4949.

A Visit With Our Elders: Through July 5: life sized acrylic portraits of women by Joanna Katz; mixed media art by Oakridge Care Center and Lakeshore Convalescent Hospital residents; 2030 Addison St., Berkeley.

Island Treasures: Through June 30: Open Studios: Paintings, ceramics, dinnerware, furniture, glass, jewelry, photos, wood screens, etc.: The Courtyard Cafe and Gallery 1349 Park St., Alameda; 415-521-1521.

Inkworks Press: Celebrates 20th Anniversary through July 16, Wed. and Thurs., noon - 5 p.m.; Fri. and Sat., 5 - 10 p.m.; Sun. 2-7 p.m.; exhibition of political posters; Berkeley Store Gallery; 2230 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley.

Narrative Portraits: Through June 23: Susan Matthews; East Bay Municipal Utility District Art Gallery; 375 11th St., Oakland.

Kala Institute: Through June 24: 1994 Fellowship Awards Exhibition, Part II; Opening reception May 18, 6-8 p.m.; 1060 Heinz Ave., Berkeley; 549-2977.

Mediterranean Gallery: Through July 8, "The Color of Conscience", paintings, drawings and prints with social commentary by Guy Colwell, Doug Minkler and Elly Simmons; Telegraph Ave., between Haste and Dwight; Call 644-9819.

Phoebe Hearst Museum: "Tibetan Voices: Portrait of a Culture in Exile," Through July 16; UC campus, 103

Kroeber Hall, College Ave. and Bancroft Wy., Berkeley.

University Art Museum: "Jumping Lines: Maison Art and Rainforest Conservation" through July 2; "Sketching a Day in Sundrenched Spring: Bold and Delicate Styles in Qing Dynasty Painting" through the summer; The All-Seeing Eye: Photographs by Lewis Callaghan" through June 25; "Urban Revisions" through July 16; "Endspace: Jans Hofman and Michael Bell," through July 16; UC Berkeley campus, 2625 Durant Ave., Berkeley.

Judah L. Magnes Museum: "How Many Times?", bronze figures of homeless women and men by Florence Smith, through Sept. 3; "Fabrics of Life: Introduction to the Magnes Museum Summer Workshop" free slideshow of Italian Jewish art and life; "Extraordinary Californians"; through Nov. 5; 2911 Russell St., Berkeley; 549-6950.

Tattoo Archive: Through August: Flash Sheets from the 1920 - 1960's; 2804 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley; 548-5895.

Richmond Art Center: Reframing Exposure: Photo Technology and Body Memory: a Multi Media Exhibit including installations, painting, photography, film and video; through July 9; Civic Center Plaza; Richmond; 620-6772.

World Institute On Disability: Through Aug. 31, painted silk scarves by Elizabeth Starr and watercolor, acrylic Paintings by Grace Lin; in memory of Ed Roberts, cofounder of the institute; 510 16th St., Oakland; 763-4100.

Support groups, self-help

Alzheimer's: and related disorders Monday Enrichment Program sponsored by the Claremont Center; music, dancing and fellowship; St. John's Church Center; 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. For info: 444-0243.

Bereavement Support Groups: Preregistration begins in June; individual grief counseling also available; 889-1104.

Turning Point Career Center: Support group for job seekers and career changers; self-assessment for career direction program (\$110 nonmembers); includes two hours of individual career counseling; 2600 Bancroft, Berkeley; 848-6370.

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EC swimmers hold season finale banquet

El Cerrito Swim Team ended its best season in years, and held its annual awards banquet at the El Cerrito Masonic Banquet Hall.

The Varsity girls were able to finish the year with wins and three losses. They lost only to the big boys of Piedmont, Bishop O'Dowd and Alameda. A small group of varsity boys was able to end their season on a positive note of 2-8 by breaking almost all the school records from last season.

The JV girls also had a record of 6-3 and JV boys had a record of 5-4, their best in years.

The varsity girls were led by Tia Shimada who, after competing in all the meets and always placing first through her events of 100 fly and 500 free, won the High Point Award. Shimada set new school records in the 100 fly with a 1:04.41 and 500 free with a 5:40.07.

In addition to going to the North Coast Championships in those individual events she was part of El Cerrito's North Coast 200 Medley Relay and 400 Medley Relay, swimming fly in the medley and swimming start-off in the free relay.

The varsity boys were led in part by Victor Gonzales, who showed everyone on the team that hard work pays off. Last year, Gonzales was swimming the 500 free in 6:30.00.

This season after, working hard, Gonzales set a new school record in the same event with a 6:02 at ACCAL league championships.

There was also Pete Peters in the 200 Free, Raymond Lam, who just missed the cut for the 100 backstroke for North Coast but is confident if he swims all year he can get in, and Ben Ginn, who the coach said "probably has the most potential of all the boys but hasn't tapped into it yet."

He swims hard in the off season, he'll be one to look out for next year," said Ginn.

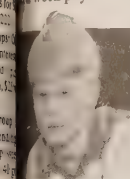
The JV girls were led by team MVP Nora Chow who swam the 500 free. Ginn says she's a shining example of what a swimmer should be. "Never complains, always tries hard during workouts and is really towards others," the coach said.

The JV boys were led by Silvio Quintanilla, the high point award winner.

The whole team is very happy with their results this year," said Ginn. "They worked really hard not



Frith O'Kane



Peter Peterson

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City swim team action helps stem summer doldrums

It's that time of year again, when the sun gets hot, the sunscreen gets applied and kids pour out of their homes looking for something to do. Where do all these kids go?

To Berkeley's pools for yet another summer of summer swimming. They especially head for the city's swim team program which has consistently produced top-notch swimmers in the Bay Area.

The swim team is known for its outstanding group of coaches that is among the most experienced and knowledgeable in swimming. Year after year, Berkeley swim team has produced swimmers who routinely wipe out their competition meet after meet.

This year looks to be no different. The coaches this summer are the veterans Coach Dale Hansen who hails from UC-Berkeley, and Coach Anthony Ginn, also from Cal and finishing his coaching at El Cerrito High School.

One of the reasons cited often by those parents who have children who return to the program is that the atmosphere is very easygoing, relaxed and focused to provide the swimmers with the most fun while also providing them with valuable coaching. Swimming on the swim team is one of the most fun and exciting things anyone can do during those summer days," Ginn said. "People come back year after year because we keep it fun and because they know we care about them. They not only learn new skills in the pool and how to improve in swimming but also acquire new friendships with other people on the team. We teach them how to work together and achieve together."

Another parent commented that, "I've seen my child that the swim team has given my child a greater sense of well-being, a greater sense of confidence, in that he should always try his best in whatever he do. Of course, they're also kept healthy and happy through the team."

Various meets are currently being scheduled, as the team party at the end of the year where the swimmers can throw the coaches in the water. Swimmers and parents of swimmers interested in Berkeley's swim team are encouraged to call Willard at 644-8519 and sign up. The fee for the entire summer from June 19 to Aug. 19 is \$70, or you can pay \$38 a month.



"I think it will be a sort of romantic end to a wonderful period of their lives."

—COACH BILL O'DONNELL

Mersey Raiders off to play the best

By Gray Cathrall

For a handful of high school soccer players, playing on the Under-19 Mersey Raiders from July 8-15 in the USA Cup in Blaine, Minn., will be the culmination of 11 years together on the same team.

Before they scatter to attend college in the fall they will have the opportunity to play five or six games at the highest competitive level against teams from throughout the U.S., and possibly some international teams.

"This is a dream come true," explained Julie Nachtwey, team manager and founder of Mersey Soccer Club. "Not all these kids were stars when they started."

In 1985 a group of 6- and 7-year-old boys from Berkeley began playing on a team coached by Bill O'Donnell who had just opened a retail soccer store in Albany a year earlier. The parents had searched for a coach who would be committed to the individual needs of all the kids, rather than a coach dedicated to winning at all cost.

In O'Donnell, then a recent transplant from Liverpool, England, they found not only a coach highly knowledgeable in the sport, but a person willing to slowly build a team.

The decision to hire him to coach the team was controversial at the time. But 11 years later, the experiment clearly worked. The players, now 17 and 18, attend different high schools but remain neighbors and close friends. They come together to play soccer on the same Mersey team.

In the meantime, O'Donnell's original Under-8 team blossomed. Mersey Soccer Club was cre-



ated to handle the interest on the part of other parents and players. There are now 11 teams and over 160 kids wearing Mersey Soccer uniforms.

The current Under-19 team played at the Class III level last year (upper house league), but for the 1995 spring season, they moved up to Class I, the highest level of competition.

It didn't faze them. They went undefeated in Spring League, winning nine games and tying Union City 3-3, and capturing the spring championship for Under-19 boys teams.

"They show a good understanding of the game," O'Donnell said of his players. "It helps that they've played together for a long time, but I think it's been easy for them to stay together. Even though they



play for their different school teams, they come together in the fall and spring on this team."

He cites a situation this spring when, playing

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BHS sports fans tee off

In an era when financial support of high school athletic programs is being cut year after year, it's refreshing to see Berkeley High coaches taking the ball and running with it, so to speak.

Next Friday, June 30, Yellowjacket coaches, staff, alumni and friends of Berkeley High will play in a golf tournament, the second annual BHS Men's and Women's Scramble at Franklin Canyon Golf Course in Rodeo. Check-in time is noon, with a 1 p.m. shotgun start.

The purpose is to raise money for all the teams at Berkeley High, and it remains the only fund-raising event operated by the high school for the benefit of the entire athletic program.

Considering the scope of sports at Berkeley, that's no mean feat. Berkeley High has one of the largest athletic programs in the state, with more than 800 athletes participating on 45 teams in 27 sports.

The golf tournament attracted nearly 100 golfers

in its first time out of the chute in 1994. BHS football coach John Gradwohl, who is helping run this year's tournament with athletic director Lloyd Higgins, said he expects a full field of 144 golfers this year. That translates to 38 foursomes and guarantees that friends of the Yellowjackets will have the golf course to themselves for the day.

"It's a wonderful event," Gradwohl said. "It builds community; it's a time when everybody supports everybody else, no matter what sport you're interested in."

"For parents, it's a great way to meet the coaches and spend some time with them," he added.

Some of the teams that will be represented by coaches, parents or alumni are football (up to 10 foursomes), girls basketball, boys basketball, golf, crew. Parents and friends of all teams, from track to badminton, from lacrosse to soccer, from softball to

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Jacobs runs world's fastest 1500

By Gray Cathrall

Regina Jacobs, Oakland's reigning world champ in the indoor mile, added to her resume a fifth national championship in the outdoor mile at Saturday's U.S. Track and Field Championships in Sacramento.

Her time of 4:05.18 in the 1,500 meters was the fastest in the world this year, and .02 faster than a Pacific Association warmup race she ran one week ago in Los Gatos.

The only serious question for Jacobs and her coach Tom Craig at Saturday's meet at Hughes Stadium was what effect the wind would have.

By Saturday, the wind was blowing enough to create some slow times. Jacobs took advantage of

Ruth Wysocki's larger body size and ran in her draft for the first 1,200 meters. With 300 to go, Jacobs kicked into the overdrive that has become her trademark, roared past Wysocki and sprinted home to win in front of Suzy Hamilton of Eugene, and Sarah Thorsett of Wisconsin. Hamilton finished in 4:07.7 while Thorsett finished at 4:07.49.

"The race went really well," said Craig, a graduate of UC-Berkeley. "Regina hung back for the first 1,000 (meters) ... Suzy was with her with 150 meters to go, but Regina exploded and beat her by 150 meters."

"We were very pleased with her time. Not only was it the fastest 1,500 time run in the world this year, she ran it in very, very windy



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Regina Jacobs

Albany Indians in champion tourney

The Albany Little League AAA championship was decided last week in an exciting series between the first-half winners, the Indians, and the second-half champs, the Blue Jays.

Game 1 of the series was a tense, extra-innings contest that saw the lead go back and forth almost every inning.

Ultimately the Indians prevailed 17-13, with four unanswered runs in the top of the seventh.

Powell DeGange pitched three strong innings for the Indians, giving up only one hit while striking out six.

Geoff Wirth turned in a great relief stint by shutting out the Blue Jays in the bottom of the seventh.

Joel Orkin-Ramey had three hits and scored three runs for the winners. Tyler DeVos led the Blue Jays with a 5-for-5 performance, including three runs scored.

The Blue Jays came back to win the second game 13-8 and even the series at 1-1. The game featured too many walks, but some solid hitting by Michael Clement and Peter Collister for the winners. Wirth homered and doubled for the Indians.

The league championship was decided in Game 3 as the Indians emerged victorious with strong hitting from just about everybody in the lineup and clutch pitching from both Richard Michel and DeGange. Clement, Collister and Shawn Burl were the hitting heroes for the Blue Jays.

The Indians move on to the California District 4 Tournament of Champions.

They were scheduled to play a team from Alameda today.

Willard's swim center announces '95 summer schedule

Willard Community Swim Center is happy to announce its summer swim schedule to the public. The center is at 2501 Telegraph at Derby.

Major improvements and renovations have been completed to make Willard Community Swim Center a first-class facility. The pool temperature is kept at a comfortable 80-81 degrees for the many aquatic programs that the swim center offers.

If you have any questions call us at 644-8519 and a staff member will be happy to assist you. To get desired times, early sign-ups for swim lessons are recommended.

ADULT LAP SWIM

Adult lap swim is open to adults who wish to swim laps Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday noon-1:30 p.m., 3:30-5:30 p.m. It costs \$1.25 for senior or disabled, \$3.40 for adults, \$40 for a 15-swim card, \$44 for a monthly pass.

PUBLIC SWIM

Public Swim is open Monday - Friday 1-3:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 1:30-3:30 p.m.. It costs a \$1.25 for children, \$3.40 for adults (18 or older). A Youth/Senior Monthly pass is available for \$16. Discounts are available for groups and summer camps.

FAMILY SWIM

Family Swim is a time where parents and swimmers may play in the shallow water. All swimmers must be accompanied into the water with their parent. The times are Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 5:30-7 p.m.

SWIM TEAM

Willard Swim Team is offered to those young swimmers seeking stroke instruction and strategy for competitive swimming. The coaches this year

will be Dale Weissman and Anthony Ginn. The cost is \$38 a month or \$70 for the entire summer from June 19- Aug. 19). The team meets everyday, Monday through Friday in the afternoon. Call the swim center at 644-8519 for the exact times.

YOUTH LEARN TO SWIM LESSONS

Youth Learn to Swim Lessons are also available. Professional American Red Cross certified water safety instructors help teach children how to swim. The lessons are every day (Monday-Friday) and are 25 minutes in length, with morning lessons beginning every half hour from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and afternoon lessons beginning every half hour at 3:45 p.m. till 4:45 p.m.

Five, two-week sessions are available for your convenience. Session 1 is from June 19-30; 2 July 3-14; 3 July 17-28; 4 July 31 - Aug. 11, 5 Aug. 14-25. The fee is \$27 a session for Berkeley residents, \$34

a sessions for non-residents. There will be a July 4 (city holiday).

Morning lessons are generally held in the afternoon lessons, allowing more instruction. Also for lots of fun, parents will be in the water with their child on the last session. Swim lessons at Willard are at the advanced level.

ADULT SWIM LESSONS

Willard Swim Center also offers adult swim lessons with professional swim instructors. Tuesday and Thursday from 12:05-12:35; 5:30-6 p.m., and Saturday noon-12:30; 12:35-1:05 p.m. The fee is \$27 for 10 lessons for a drop-in.

Private lessons are also available for adults. For more information at 644-8519.

Swim

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only in the water but fund-raising the entire year. So, we should have enough money left to keep swimming alive at El Cerrito for at least one more year."

Although the swimmers were tired, they were all smiles at the awards banquet. The unique event was capped off by a requirement that the swimmers dress up for the occasion.

But as at every function this size, there is bound to be something to go haywire and this banquet was no different. After the swimmers had served their parents and guests, they returned to find that there was no more food. So the coach and a parent had to run out for pizza and plates. "I was personally shocked, but happy that so many people had come out. At most I had expected 60 to 80, but we had over 115 people there," said Ginn.

The evening began with reviving the old tradition

of presenting the previous coach with an appreciation award. This year's award was given to Coach Natalie Neureuther, who is considering returning next season.

Sportsmanship award went to Angelina LaRita. Hardest Worker was Nora Chow, Most Improved Varsity was Victor Gonzales. Team Captain awards were presented to Pete Peters, Raymond Lam, Vivian Lau, and Jennifer Vaughn. MVP for varsity was Michelle Habbas, High Point award Varsity was Tia Shimada, Rookie of the Year was Miriam Abelson and Jenny Lam, JV Most Improved was Navraj Padda. JV MVP was Nora Chow and JV High Point was Silvio Quintanilla.

Swimmer of the Year

The last three awards are the most important because the swimmers themselves select who will

win them. The Swimmer of the Year awards is presented to the swimmer who in the eyes of his or her peers showed the most leadership, always attends practice, doesn't complain, supports the team, is responsible and encourages others.

The candidates were Jennifer Vaughn, Michelle Habbas, Tia Shimada, Jenny Lam and Silvio Quintanilla. The winner was sophomore Tia Shimada.

The All Gaucho Award is presented to the most deserving swimmer whose peers feel that he or she helps out the coach, helps out the team beyond what is needed or asked for, helps out on a consistent basis and doesn't complain.

Candidates were Sijing Tan, Victor Gonzales and Pete Peters. Peters was the winner of that award.

Fifth O' Kane won the Coaches Award for her enthusiastic and cheerful spirit. The award gener-

ally goes towards the swimmer who shows the most growth in and out of the pool.

The team acknowledged the generous donations who helped during the season, as well to seniors Kristen Harrell, Jennifer Vivian Lau.

The team also acknowledged sponsors: Fargo Bank, Mechanics Bank, Coast Bank of America, Powerfood Inc., Marketing (makers of GU), Traders Stores, Albany-El Cerrito Exchange, Central on San Pablo, Lucky's Supermarket, Mond Sanitary Company, Home Depot, Past-Time Hardware, D-Ball Medicine, Wok Restaurant on San Pablo, Big 5 Sports Restaurant on San Pablo, Big 5 Sports, San Pablo, Dr. Matsuishi, Mr. George Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt.

Mersey

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a game with only eight on the roster against a team with 10 players, the Mersey Raiders managed to hold on for a 2-2 tie at halftime.

At the start of the second half, Mersey was reduced to seven players. But rather than throw in the towel, they scored two quick goals and won the game 4-2.

"They never give up. That's what's so great about them," said O'Donnell. "They really showed me a

lot that day."

The original core of players—Robert Nachtwey, John McClung, Nate Walrod, Mike Meyers and Peter Gage—picked up some additional support this year. At the encouragement of Nachtwey, three of his Bishop O'Dowd teammates plus a player from El Cerrito High joined the team and will be making the trip to Minnesota in July.

"It's an outstanding group of players," O'Donnell said, "but the players we've added since last fall are

all exceptional."

Added to the Raiders are Niles Bybel and Franz and Andrei Slapar of O'Dowd, plus Joe Ursini of El Cerrito. All played key roles in the considerable success of their high school varsity teams over the past several years.

And now Mersey Soccer is the beneficiary.

The team is willing to add a small number of players to its roster prior to the USA Cup. Players able to compete at the top level and willing to

commit to practices twice a week and weekends may try out for the U-19 Mersey at their regular practices, Tuesday and 3:30-5:30 at King Junior High in Berkeley.

Looking ahead to July and a week's soccer games at a national tournament, suddenly remembers what his original goal was like 11 years ago.

"I think it will be a sort of romantic wonderful period of their lives."

Golfers

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baseball, are encouraged to sign up now.

Best deal in town

One of the great attractions of the Berkeley High Scramble is the large number of prizes and the relatively modest cost to play golf.

For \$100 (or \$400 per foursome), a person gets a golf cart, 18 holes of golf on a quality course, a tee package, complete dinner and a chance to win a free one-year lease on a new car (if you make a hole in one). There will be a live auction and a raffle after

dinner, in addition to the many prizes to given away for longest drive, closest to the hole, and assorted other prizes based upon shots on certain holes.

"There will be lots and lots of prizes," said Gradwohl. "Last year, nearly everyone went home with something. I can tell you, everyone had a good time, and it'll be even better this year."

The tournament raised \$5,500 last year, and the goal this year is \$7,500 according to Gradwohl.

If nothing else, the prizes should have Yellowjacket fans standing in line. The tournament will be auctioning off two official NFL white San

Francisco Forty-Niner footballs signed by Steve Young and Brett Jones. Ten graphite shaft drivers with pro grip, worth \$250 each, will be raffle prizes, as will several cases of wine.

There are even some golf mats donated by the company that installed Berkeley High's new astro turf football field.

There are still openings for individual golfers, for twosomes and foursomes. Companies wishing to become a tee sponsor (\$150) may also sign up now. All donations are tax deductible. Call Gradwohl (644-8723), or Higgins (644-6855) to sign up.

Jacobs



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conditions."

Wysocki, attempting a comeback, will make the U.S. women's team. The top in all events at the U.S. Championships was the U.S. track team at the World Team Championships in Göteborg, Sweden.

Jacobs, a two-time Olympic runner, won last year's national outdoor 4:07.7. Last August, she won the 100 in 4:02.15, the fastest time run by any woman at the Olympic trials in 1988.

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East Bay Events

Eureka Theater presents at Julia Morgan

David Ogden Stiers returns to the Bay Area as guest artist in a staged reading of *Autumn Canticle* by John Lowell, presented by the Eureka Theater Company and directed by Reid Davis. Leo Downey and Dan Johnson complete the cast.

A performance is scheduled for Monday, June 26 at Julia Morgan Theater, 2640 College Ave., Berkeley, at 7 p.m.

"Autumn Canticle" celebrates the romantic and rocky union of two witty, aging musical geniuses, who discover they must waltz together through sickness and health. Stiers and Downey read the roles of the composer and singer; Johnson reads as the young graduate student whose presence in the household makes the older men reevaluate their

performance is free. Contributions are appreciated, and reservations should be made by calling the Eureka box office at 415-243-

Local treasure opens doors for tours

A historical landmark architectural tour of the Berkeley City Club, Sunday, June 25, noon to 4 p.m. at 2315 Durant Ave. Parking is available in the club lot east of the building.

The Berkeley City Club, which was designed in 1929 by noted architect and Hearst Castle designer Julia Morgan, is a historical landmark and is listed in the National Registry of Historical Places. The City Club is known as Morgan's "little castle"; she called it her "little Jewel."

The building includes an indoor swimming pool, grand ballroom and public rooms which enhance the Mediterranean atmosphere with life-style form and decor.

Cost is \$2 per person; children under 12 are free. No reservations are required. For more information call 848-7800.

Quilts: It's all in the fabric

Quiltmaker Roberta Horton shares her design principles and thoughts on creativity and color Monday, June 26, 7:30 p.m. at First Unitarian Church, One Lawson Road, Kensington.

Horton's newest book, *The Fabric Makes the Quilt*, debuts in August. She is known for her flair for color and understanding of quilts, and her book and lecture are the culmination of 25 years as a quiltmaker.

Admission is \$3. For more information call 527-7732.

New Mexican artists show at New Leaf

"New Mexico - New Visions," outdoor sculpture, art furniture and fountains by seven New Mexico artists, is currently displayed at A New Leaf Garden Gallery, 4286 Gilman St., Berkeley.

Among the works is Doug Coffin's 26-foot tall, brightly-painted Steel Totem series commissioned by the city of Lawrence, Ks. Also showing is Ed Haddaway's steel sculptures — from a small wall piece to an 11-foot-tall work "From a Series of Recurring Dreams."

Gallery hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The current show ends June 30.

'Male Dancer,' a bronze by Frank Morillo, is on display at A New Leaf Garden Gallery.

Women take spotlight at Laney series

The Bay Area Dance Series at Laney College continues tonight and Friday with Gravytrain, S.A.M. and Zeltzman & Coburn. Tonight's performance begins at 7:30 p.m., Friday's at 8 p.m.

On stage Saturday, 8 p.m., and Sunday, 3 p.m., are Jo Kreiter, Ding Dolls and SQUAD.

The work of women choreographers is featured this weekend.

Tickets are \$13 in advance, \$10 seniors and students, \$5 for Peralta Community College District students and children under 12.

Mystery authors read at Cody's

East Bay author Julie Smith, winner of the Edgar Award for her *New Orleans Mourning*, the first book in her series featuring detective Skip Langdon, will read from the newest in the series, *House Blues*, on Friday, June 23, 7:30 p.m. at Cody's Books, 2454 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley.

Next Thursday, June 29, Bill Pronzini reads from the latest in his "hellish detective" series. Pronzini has received two Shamus awards and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Private-Eye writers of America.

Native American musicians in Oakland

North America's top native musicians will be centerpiece at the Silver Star benefit concert on Friday, June 23, 7 p.m. at the Kaiser Center in Oakland.

Performing singers Jackie Bird, Lawrence Martin, and Keith Secola and the Band of Indians for an evening of traditional and contemporary Native American music and dance.

Guest Elaine Miles — Marilyn on the TV series *Northern Exposure* — will host the event.

Tickets are \$7 to \$15 at the door.

Jackie Bird, from the Dakota-Sioux and Mandan/Hidatsa tribes, is a woman hoop dancer in America. She can dance with as many as 18 hoops; typical hoop dancers use 28. Her love songs have stirred dances all over the world, and she has toured with Bonnie Raitt, the Roots and Soul Asylum.

Keith Secola and the Wild Band of Indians provided the song "Indian Cars" for the sound track of the current film *Dance Me*.

The event kicks off the Silver Star Pow Wow June 24-25. The event is invited to attend and sample traditional Indian dances, arts, and foods. Admission is \$2.50 general, \$1 seniors and youth.



Jeff Woodman (Viscount Goring) faces Michelle Morain (Lady Chevelly) in Berkeley Rep's production of 'An Ideal Husband.'

At the Rep: Men, women, illusions, scruples

By Don McConnell

Berkeley Rep's production of Oscar Wilde's *An Ideal Husband* is a revelation. The barrages of epigrams are expected — Wilde's entire literary reputation, for most, is as a writer of one-liners more gifted than any other in the language.

Unexpected was the seriousness of this play — which veers toward the brink of tragedy for much of the time — and the weight and power of the rhetoric. The biggest surprise is that it should be such a surprise; like most Americans who consider themselves literate, I've seen easily a dozen productions — live or on TV — of Wilde. And every production was of *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

"There are two ways of disliking my plays," Wilde said late in his career. "One way is to dislike them; the other is to prefer 'Earnest.'"

I don't have any statistics, but I suspect that the English-speaking world has chosen the second method of disliking Wilde. This is probably due to the playwright's role in history, the nature of which has changed in the past few decades. The back cover of a paperback edition of Wilde plays published in 1966 notes: "His personal life shocked and revolted the public, but his enormously witty plays were received with wild enthusiasm."

What shocks today is the brutal way Wilde was treated by the British legal system, and that change of attitude may have opened the way to a look at Wilde's other works. Lots of successful playwrights before and since Wilde have been gay, but their sexuality rarely, if ever, became a matter of public record.

I can see, though, why this particular play might make people uneasy. It asks whether the differences in men and women make honest relationships between them impossible. Despite the happy ending of the play, the playwright seems to think that is the case. Strip away a wife's illusions, he seems to say, and the marriage is over.

Wilde presents his case indirectly, and he gives women a bad rap in the process. Lady Chiltern is a wife whose love for her husband depends on his being a man without flaw.

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Pocahontas: One cute summer movie but golly, gee, is it PC?

By Charles Levin

Despite all the blather about historical accuracy, children

will love *Pocahontas* — and rightly so. Walt Disney's 33rd full-length animation, which opens in the Bay Area Friday, is a wonderful movie, sitting head and shoulders above the rest of this summer's current kids fare. Despite minor flaws, it combines stellar visuals, cute supporting characters and an appropriate message for the younger set.

Adults, a growing portion of Disney's market, however, will find themselves less enthralled simply because, well, it's not *The Lion King*. Disney's last cartoon adventure engaged older folks with

its Hamlet-in-the-jungle, Shakespearean-like narrative. *Pocahontas* is a sweet, love story. Think *Romeo and Juliet*, with only one murder and no suicides.

True, Disney did not set out to document Pocahontas for *Encyclopedia Britannica*; this is entertainment (and a chance to sell a gazillion dollars worth of marketing hype, including, I swear, Pocahontas Sweetarts).

In 1607, the real Pocahontas was 11 or 12 and her celluloid suitor, John Smith, was 27. But historians conclude no love affair ever took place. Yet when laws like Proposition 187 and threats to affirmative action illuminate

continued racial strife, sacrificing a bit of history for Disney's interracial romance is a noble cause.

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Grandmother Willow

Sample strives for authenticity

His compositions select from the best

By Charles Levin

Joe Sample never minces words when it comes to values — his own or those of the corporate types who run the music business these days.

In a nutshell, says the 56-year-old pianist and founding member of The Crusaders, the industry has gone to the dogs.

"During the 20th century, Americans gave an unbelievable amount of music to the world," Sample says, reciting the entire lexicon of styles that have their roots in ragtime and evolved into blues, jazz and pop. But using MTV and the current staple of violence in Hollywood movies as examples, he observes that Americans are "going into the next century, and we have become the geniuses of dazzling each other with bulls—t."



Creative music has ended up "in the hands of businessmen," says Sample, who begins a five-night run at Yoshi's next Wednesday

with a trio. Corporate greed has sucked all the juice from America's best known musical art forms, particularly soul music, he says. "And by soul music, I'm talking about a blend of gospel grooves and jazz," Sample says, speaking by phone from Japan where he is touring.

"We are listening to manufactured records instead of documented performances," he says. "There are (so many) layers in today's music, I can tell that nobody was there in the studio at the same time. I love to listen to the old records when men went into the recording studio and did two takes of a song and that was that."

Disillusioned with rap and hip-hop, Sample rhetorically asks: Where are the Tower of Powers, the Marvin Gayes, the Larry Grahams, the Al

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Local troupe produces short-run Coward classic

By Phyllis Lyon

Curtain up! Light the lights!

The Albany Players opened their one-play dramatic season at the Albany High Little Theater last Friday with an otherworldly production of Noel Coward's *Blythe Spirit*. The homegrown troupe closes with performances of the 1941 comedy tomorrow and Saturday nights. Not actors who aspire to give up their day jobs and make it in the big time, The Players comprise a group of local lawyers, teachers and other professionals who, in the best sense of "amateur," play for the love of the game. Now in its fourth year treading Albany boards, The Players have amused

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Fifteen world choirs convene for East Bay festival

By Tom Walther

At 7:30 p.m. on June 26 the Calvin Simmons Theatre in Oakland will be singing and jumping as the Golden Gate International Children's Choral Festival opens a week of concerts and competitions, June 26 to 30.

The first night of the festival is a variety musical program to introduce the 15 international children's choirs to the Bay Area and the Bay Area to them. Greeting the more than 600 choristers to the tunes of their national anthems will be Brass Roots, a brass quintet composed of members of the Young Peoples' Symphony Orchestra and the Bay Area Wind Symphony.

Radost!, a folk dance troupe of boys and girls ranging in age from 6 to 23 years old, from the town of Khabarovsk in the Russian Far East will perform a variety of dances in authentic costumes. The African Rhythm Messengers, an East Bay music and dance ensemble directed by Babatunde Garaya, is composed of musicians from some of the great "highlife" bands of Africa and the Bay Area.

Finally, the almost 300 voices of the combined Piedmont Choirs, host choir of the festival, will present a program of song including San Francisco composer Kirke Mechem's "Sing All Ye Joyful" (the festival theme) and "We are the Earth" by Tiburon resident Maia Aprahamain.

Tickets for the opening concert are available by calling 547-4441 or 762-BASS; they are \$10 (\$5 for seniors and students).

Community concerts

The festival in cooperation with five East Bay churches will present five free community concerts. Each evening concert features two to four choirs. The concerts are at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27, and Wednesday, June 28, in Piedmont, Oakland, Berkeley and Lafayette. They are currently scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, June 27

Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 322 Saint James Drive, Piedmont. The choirs are Coro de Ninos de la Schola Cantorum de Mexico; Seinajoki Girls Choir, Finland; and Piedmont Children's Choir.

St. Vartan's Armenian Apostolic Church, 650 Spruce St., Oakland. The choirs are Little Singers of Armenia and Kolibri Choir, Yugoslavia.

Wednesday, June 28

Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette.

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There's a greater message here: If *The Lion King* reminds us that all living things connect in that circle of life, then *Pocahontas* takes to heart the 1960s mantra "Make Love, Not War."

Disney's *Pocahontas* (Irene Bedard), a Powhatan Indian, is older, perhaps 19, and gorgeous — a real babe. Despite her one-strap, leather-skin dress and a little too much lipstick, she's not a one-dimensional Barbie doll. This *Pocahontas* could inspire a Camille Paglia essay or at least a new D.C. Comics superhero. She jumps from skyscraper-sized cliffs into waterfalls while communing with her comic foils from the animal kingdom, Flit the hummingbird (Frank Welker) and Meeko the raccoon (John Kassir).

Pocahontas is just a little confused about her love life, seeking advice from Grandmother Willow

Sample

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Greens of today? But *Sample* is not content to sit still when irked by a situation. In 1990, while touring Japan with singer Al Jarreau's all-star band, *Sample* quickly found kindred spirits in bandmates bassist Freddie Washington and drummer Steve Gadd. They shared his philosophical disengagement and musical temperament.

With a 1960s combo sound — redolent of the above-named artists — firmly embedded in his psyche, *Sample* assembled the Soul Committee around himself, Gadd and Washington. To that core, he added

The choirs are Clara-Schumann Kinderchor, Germany; E Vigners Kuldiga Children's Choir "Cantus," Latvia Credo Choir, Russia; and Min Chuan Elementary School Chorus, Taiwan.

Piedmont Community Church, 100 Highland Ave., Piedmont.

The choirs are Viva Chorale, Canada; Chor der Musik-hauptschule Harbach, Austria; and Raduga Choir, Russia.

St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley.

The choirs are Vox Aurea, Finland; Coro de Ninos Cantores de Cordoba, Argentina; Powell River Academy Singers, Canada; and Florida's Singing Sons Boychoir.

Competitions

The festival competitions will be held at Oakland's Kaiser Center July 27 and 28 during the day. The competitions are open to the public and are free.

• Tuesday, June 27: 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Children's Choirs, Calvin Simmons Theatre; 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Girls Solo, Ballroom

• Wednesday, June 28: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Contemporary, Calvin Simmons Theatre; 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Girls Solo continued, Ballroom; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Boys Solo, Ballroom; 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. Folk/Popular, Calvin Simmons Theatre.

Closing concert

The Kaiser Center Arena at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 30, will be the site of the closing concert of the festival. Prize winners will perform, and the combined festival choirs will perform works prepared during the week.

Tickets are \$10 (\$5 seniors/students); call 547-4441 or 762-BASS.

The Golden Gate International Children's Choral Festival is organized by Piedmont Choirs and co-sponsored by the Oakland Office of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts.

One of only two international children's choir festivals in the United States, the Golden Gate Festival is under the artistic direction of Robert Geary.

Judges for the competitions will be Swedish choirmaster Bo Johansson; Dr. Patricia Hennings, director of the Peninsula Women's Chorus; and Dr. Sharon Paul, director of the San Francisco Girl's Chorus.

The Golden Gate Festival is part of the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the signing of the United Nations charter.

Seventy-five participants will also join the "Service of Celebration" at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco at 2:30 p.m., June 25.

(Linda Hunt), a centuries-old talking tree.

Pocahontas' father, Chief Powhatan (Russell Means) wants her to marry Kocoum (James Aumut Fall), a choice she's less than thrilled with. He's your basic he-man type: stiff, stern and serious. Willow tells the girl to follow her heart. Good idea.

Along come the English settlers, led by greedy, gold-digging Governor John Ratcliffe (David Ogden Stiers) and accompanied by Captain Smith (Mel Gibson).

Smith is another testosterone type, rescuing men who've fallen overboard in the middle of torrential hurricanes and unafraid to fight heathen Indians. His long, golden locks and huge physique suggest an English Dolph Lundgren. His macho act stumbles, of course, when he meets *Pocahontas*, who emerges from out of the waterfalls like an apparition (ahhh, those Disney animators).

So the tale plays itself out with

percussion, guitar, trumpet and saxophone.

Improvisation was important but the group was "leaning more toward a soul flavor than a jazz flavor," *Sample* says. The group's compact disc *Did You Feel That?* (Warner Brothers 9 45729-2) — a title inspired by the 1994 Los Angeles earthquake — nails that sound with perfection. *Sample*, disdainful of synthesizer overload, used only grand piano, Fender Rhodes or Wurliitzer electric pianos, or clavinet. Most tunes were recorded in first takes; many of them were rehearsals with the tape recorder left running.

Sample originals like "Viva de Funk" recalls Motown's rolling bass

'Congo': A predictable summer foil

Gorgeous locations, handsome animals provide some respite

By Basil De Pinto

The way you tell that summer has arrived in the Bay area is obviously not by the temperature. When the movies get longer, louder and sillier, that's the sign.

So *Congo*, the first of the summer batch has arrived, and is destined to leave unhonored, if not unsung. Never mind singing; I don't even want to talk about it, but duty calls, so here goes.

Just to sketch main features of this howler, we have two main characters, a male and a female. The male, Peter Elliot (Dylan Walsh), is deeply attached to a female gorilla named Amy. He has taught her to talk (sort of) but he unselfishly wants to take her away from the lab and bring her home to the wild.

The female, Karen Ross (Laura Linney), works for a telecommunications company, whose boss, Travis (Joe Don Baker) sees his business going down the drain and desperately needs a diamond mind which he thinks can be found in the Congo. On the flimsiest of pretexts, Karen, an otherwise pretty savvy woman, agrees to go and look for it.

As you can already tell,

Wilde

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Alas, Lord Chiltern's fortune and political career were financed by selling a state secret. When the mysterious Mrs. Chevely blackmails him, Chiltern can meet her price — which is that he abuse his official position by supporting a swindle so she can make money.

Lady Chiltern won't let him. It's not that she even gets to hear the alternatives. She confronts him for supporting the swindle, and when he tries to pre-gauge the results of leveling with her, Lady Chiltern warns him off.

Lady Chiltern: "...Robert, is there in your life any secret dishonor or disgrace? Tell me, tell me at once, that —"

Sir Robert Chiltern: That what? Lady Chiltern: That our lives may drift apart.

Sir Robert Chiltern: Drift apart? Lady Chiltern: That they may be entirely separate. It would be better for us both.

Given that preview, Chiltern decides that political and financial ruin is preferable to telling his wife the truth.

There's more than a little accuracy in this description of husband-wife relations, but only if the subject were fidelity, not the kind of past indiscretion of which Chiltern is guilty. I suspect a poll of men would find that one of the traits

plausibility is in rather short supply as the movie starts, but just wait a few frames; it disappears virtually altogether with the entrance of Tim Curry as Herkemer Homolka: I kid you not, that is the character's name.

Herkemer purports to be a Rumanian and he sports an all-purpose accent to prove it. He also claims that he can vouch for the existence of the diamond mine. Apparently King Solomon invested in it while he was entertaining the Queen of Sheba. No biblical chapter and verse are given, but Herkemer's faith knows no bounds.

But wait, you say, you have it all wrong. This is plainly a spoof and the characters are having great fun with you. Alas, would that it were so. No, I'm afraid these folks are deadly serious about all this.

Of course, with Tim Curry you can't quite be sure. There is the faint suggestion of a bulge in his cheek that could be his tongue. And his delivery is subtler and more secure than the rest of the cast. But that's not saying much.

At any rate bodies are torn apart with ghastly but not serious regularity, the party does find the fabulous mine, and it turns out that

they very much admire in women is their willingness to stand by a husband in trouble — unless it's "woman trouble."

Whatever Wilde's ultimate subject matter, the conflict is treated with utter candor and a sophisticated understanding that has not been improved on in the 100 years since the play was written.

Not a surprise was Wilde's command of dramatic setups, his ability to create confrontations that entertain before a word is spoken. There were many examples in *An Ideal Husband*, one of the best coming early on when Mrs. Chevely, a villain lacking only a mustache, finds herself alone with Lady Chiltern. The two have been introduced to us separately in a series of tableaux at a society party. When suddenly the two are alone together in a room, the situation is so ripe in potential that I found myself smiling in anticipation.

The Rep's production is superb. Most impressive were the performances by Michelle Morain as Mrs. Chevely and by Lisa Bruneau as Lady Chiltern, which it would hard to better. Bruneau, just as she did in Marivaux's *Triumph of Love* last season, gave new meaning to seduction.

In the scene quoted above, she twines herself around her husband in a way that, while respectable to perform in public, would surely be irresistible on several levels. She



Karen Ross (Laura Linney) communicates with headquarters via satellite from the African jungle.

some of Amy's relatives are not as sweet-tempered as she.

The grand finale features an earthquake-cum-exploding volcano, rivers of molten lava, and of course oodles of hair's breadth escapes by our heroic band.

Interestingly enough, no romance develops between Peter and Karen which is a departure from the formula you'd expect in a picture like this. But then, given the depth of Peter's devotion to Amy, it couldn't work out any other way.

The scenery is suitably spectacular, most of it shot in Costa

achieves the same effect with dialogue.

Morain controls the stage with her almost lascivious delivery of Wilde's drolleries, using her contralto to linger or underline.

But all the major roles were wonderfully handled. Mark Capri is eloquent as a boy scout in extremis; Jeff Woodman, playing a character who is a surrogate for the playwright, makes a very fluffy character sympathetic.

The two best-known actors, Charles Dean and Barbara Oliver, were given the small roles of Lord Caversham and Lady Markby; they showed (particularly Oliver) that any Wilde repartee can be an actor's tour de force.

The two sets (by Kevin Rupnik) are handsome; the stately Chiltern drawing room is magnificent, convincing us that it's attached to a large house filled with people.

Director Stephen Wadsworth deserves credit for much about this production, but his injection of pantomimes (four- or five-minute scenes, usually at the end of an act, when a character walks around the stage reflecting silently as music is played) are effective once, annoying thereafter. (He ended *Triumph of Love* with such a scene last year.)

An Ideal Husband plays through July 16, at the Berkeley Repertory Theatre, 2025 Addison St., Berkeley. For schedule and ticket info call 845-4700.

Grant's and Philip LaZebnik's screenplay doesn't sanitize their culture, allowing us to hear the Indians discussing battles with other Indian tribes.

Unfortunately, the music — a key element in all Disney films since *The Little Mermaid*, falls a little short. Composer Alan Menken, who has been performing musical chores since "Mermaid," works with lyricist Stephen Schwartz, but fails, with one exception, to produce a really hummable tune.

The Gilbert and Sullivan inspired "Mine, Mine, Mine" stands out from the rest of the pack, evoking the kind of Broadway-style writing Menken did so well when paired with the late Howard Ashman. Menken and Ashman sculpted a sound so exhilarating, it shaped the last 20 years of Broadway musicals that have stooped to singing cats and rollerblade skaters.

Also, strange as this may sound for an animation, Bedard's and

Gibson's performances come off a bit lifeless. There are times when their love affair seems more saccharine than real, bogging down the story's momentum. It took the animated antics of Flit, Meeko and Ratcliffe's pet bulldog Percy (Danny Mann) to move the story along.

Despite the film's positive attributes, however, many adults will likely get hung up pondering one question: Did Disney diss history? If you buy that, then you must dismiss excellent movies like *Mississippi Burning*, *JFK* and *Quiz Show* as well for taking liberties with factual material.

No doubt, political correctness fanatics, who propagate in the East Bay like rabbits, will search every frame of *Pocahontas* to find some reason to rake it over the coals.

But judging by the reaction of the 8-year-old girl who clung to my arm during the press screening, it was a resounding success.

dance band around Hollywood and a show group in Vegas.

From 1961 to 1987, the group released 47 records, creating a household name synonymous with slick funk fusion, informed by jazz, gospel, and rhythm and blues, and defined by strong improvisation.

Collaborators over the years included guitarist Larry Carlton, singers like B.B. King, Nancy Wilson and Randy Crawford (who sang the 1980 hit "Streetchlife"), drummer Ndugu Chanler, Brazilian composer Ivan Lins and legendary Motown songsmith Lamont Dozier.

But in time, things unraveled. Religious differences eventually distanced Henderson and Felder from the band.

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Video winners screened

Robinson, an English teacher at Laney College, nicely holds the company together in the central role of Charles Condomine. Robinson is as urbane and relaxed as Sir Noel might have been when he himself played Charles 54 years ago.

In filmy white robe and locks, Sarah Beth Bode all but takes flight as the petulant, angel-pest Elvira, whose home-wrecking plans go awry. Off stage, Bode is an instructional aide at the Albany's Marin School.

The grand lady turned definitely grouchy, Ruth Condomine, is played by teacher Jana Vogensen and Madame Arcati, the medium who finally gets the message, by Berkeley lawyer Peggy Hill. Karen Fox Reynolds, a fifth-grade teacher at Marin School, does a comic turn as the spit-and-polish mystery maid, Edith. Rounding out the action, Players veteran Phil Reed, an El Cerrito attorney, is a good-humored Dr. George Bradman and Greta Sholachman, his fussy wife, Violet.

Blithe Spirit is directed by Jerry Reynolds, who has worked with the Oregon Shakespeare Festival and the Berkeley Rep and is currently a drama instructor at Chabot College. Reynolds may have earned playgoers' gratitude for "underplaying British accents" and eliminating smoking cigarettes, "a famous bit of business in all Noel Coward plays."

The Albany production has also been shortened "to keep pace with the '90s," according to Reynolds.

One of Noel Coward's claims to fame was taking wry pokes at English eccentricities, *Blithe Spirit* not excepted. The dialogue is upscale and the laughs frequent. However, when Charles refers to himself as "hag-ridden" at the play's big finish, this picture of married life tends to turn unpretty in retrospect.

Theater fans who also like to patronize home industry will find plenty of industrious effort in the Albany Players 1995 production. *Blithe Spirit* plays Friday and Saturday nights. Call 528-1241.

Four winning videotapes in the second International Jewish Video Competition sponsored by the Richard and Roslyn Lindheim Fund of the Magnes Museum will premiere Wednesday, June 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the Pacific Film Archive, 2625 Durant, Berkeley.

They are *Havana Nagila* by Laura Paull and Evan Garelle; *Uman Rosh HaShana* by Charles Steiner; *Turn Around* by Susan Greene; and Lindheim Award winner *Not In Our Town* by the California Working Group, a video termed "inspiring" by San Francisco Examiner columnist Rob Morse.

The videos' producer-directors, four of whom are from the Greater Bay Area, will be present. Tickets are \$5.50 general admission (other rate information available at 642-1412) at the door.

Additional showings of the competition winners will take place at the Jewish Film Festival in July and, in continuous screenings of all winners, from early September through Nov. 5 at the Judah Magnes Museum.

This is the only nationwide/international award program to focus

on Jewish themes.

Judges of the 1995 Jewish Video Competition are Jerry Graham, Bay Area television personality; Thalia Drori, film and video producer; and Bill Chayes, Magnes Museum Curator of Film/Video and Photography.

They selected the winners from 130 entrants primarily from the United States, Canada and Israel. The works deal with the Holocaust, family, community relations and a wide range of other themes.

Winners for 1995 are:

• First Prize (shared): *Havana Nagila*. Modesto filmmakers Paull and Garelle's look at the history and presences of Jews in Cuba, and *Girlfriends*, by Yoel Kaminsky (Israel), the story of a group of women whose friendship was shaped by the Holocaust.

• Second Prize (shared): *Uman Rosh HaShana* by Charles Steiner of New York, a documentary of the annual pilgrimage by 5,000 men to celebrate Rosh HaShana at the grave of Rabbi Nachman of Breslov, and *Meet Me in Miami Beach* by Bonnie Cohen (Menlo Park), on the waning Yiddish culture of South Miami Beach.

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• Third Prize: San Franciscan Susan Greene's *Turn Around*, a performance piece dealing with her family and her father's death.

• Lindheim Award: *Not In Our Town*, the Oakland-based California Working Group's documentary of how residents of a Montana town stood together to end attacks by white supremacists (San Francisco Examiner columnist Rob Morse called the KQED broadcast of this work in February "an inspiring half hour of television to counteract all the hate radio on the air"), and runner-up *Chicago Crossings*, Jerry Blumenthal's tape on Chicago artists and Black/Jewish relations.

• World War II Remembrance Award: David Orenstein's *In That Little Town*, a survivor's recreation of prewar Jewish cultural life through stories and images, and Regina Samelson's *Tobias*, a survivor's discussion of life and death in the ghetto.

• Video from the '70s Award: *Rites of Passage*, Avi Engel's view of his family's life as Jews in America contrasted with a family member's Holocaust experiences.

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National, regional and local musicians will be performing on several stages with the highlight concert taking place on July 8. Jazz legend Dave Brubeck will appear in his "75th Birthday Tour" concert at the Pioneer Center for the Performing Arts.

Three full days of free jazz concerts will also take place with Bay area local favorites Buddy Conner appearing Friday, Kitty Margolis on Saturday and Joyce Cooling on Sunday.

The streets downtown will feature the international cuisines that represent the nations of the participating sport cars. Italian lasagna and Lamborghinis, German bratwurst and Porsches — starting to get the picture? For more information on this unique car and jazz extravaganza, call 1-800-535-3045.

MUSICAL NOTES: Kenny Rankin brings his distinctive smooth sound, along with his trio, to the New Orleans Room at the Fairmont Hotel this weekend through Sunday. Since Rankin last appeared here solo in January of '94, his dedicated fans can be expected to turn out for this engagement as well...Chris Isaak will be appearing at Bimbo's 356 Club June 27 and 28. Sponsored by KFOG, the Wednesday show will be broadcast live world-wide...Kimball's San Francisco is open once again and featuring the same fine quality of music that the club is noted for in addition to serving lunch and dinner.

WEEKEND SCENE: Stanley Turrentine at Kimball's East...Orquesta Peru Friday and Avance Saturday at Kimball's Carnival...Peck Allmond with the Dick Whittington Trio Sunday at the Maybeck Recital Hall...Jim Brown at Scott's...Live Jazz Wednesday and Thursday Clarion Suites Lake Merritt Hotel...The Move in the Ducks & Co. Lounge at the Ramada Hotel... West Express Friday and Gary Newman and Clifford Saturday at the Fat Lady.

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Best Friends: Want to do something fun this Saturday? Go to the Guide Dogs For The Blind graduation ceremony in San Rafael.

You'll never have a better time in your life. What could be more enjoyable than to be surrounded by dozens of extremely well-behaved dogs?

And it's incredibly moving, too, as the 4-H Club kids who raised these dogs from puppyhood formally turn them over to the blind people who will be using them as guides. There won't be a dry eye in the house.

Some of the tears are tears of parting. But some are tears of joy, because the kids know how much good the dogs are going to do for their new masters.

After the ceremony, you'll get a chance to tour the facilities. I urge you to take it, because Guide Dogs is one of the best-run organizations around, and it's a pleasure to see something that actually works, for a change.

And if you're really good, they'll let you play with the puppies that they're raising for the next generation of guide dogs — scores of tiny little Labs, Golden Retrievers and German Shepherds crawling all over you and licking you to death. If you're an animal lover like me, it's sheer heaven.

For the dogs, Saturday's ceremony will be the culmination of 18 months of intensive training. It started in puppyhood, when they were farmed out to the 4-H Club kids who raised them and socialized them to the kinds of situations they'll encounter out in the real world.

(Only Golden Retrievers, Labs and Shepherds are used. The Guide Dog people have found, through trial and error, that these have the best combination of intelligence and personality.)

A few months ago, the dogs were brought back to San Rafael for even more training.

The final stage was to bring their future masters into the process. For the last four weeks, both dogs and humans have been living at the Guide Dog facility for a month of intensive instruction.

Last week was the final exam: They were taken to Union Square and turned loose at high noon. "We figure if they can survive that, they can survive anything," says spokeswoman Joanne Ritter.

Of course, not all the dogs who started made it through the process. In fact, most were weeded out along the way.

Some were eliminated because they displayed little quirks (like jumping at the sound of a car backfiring) that disqualify them as guide dogs.

What will happen to them? Well, the 4-H Clubbers who originally raised them have first dibs. But if the kids can't take them back, the general public can adopt them. (More about this later.)

Other dogs were weeded out for the opposite reason: because they're too good. These are the cream of the crop — as close to perfect as a dog can get. They're being reserved as breeders, to produce future generations.

And here's a deal that can't be beat: You can adopt these dogs, too. Guide Dogs will pay for their vaccinations and medical bills. All you have to supply is food, flea powder, and lots and lots of love.

And, of course, you have to bring them back to San Rafael from time to time, so they can breed.

If you adopt a male, this means bringing him back several times a year to have sex. (I assure you: He will not look upon this as hardship duty.)

If you adopt a female, you'll have to leave her there for a six-week period every year so she can whelp her puppies. But hey, you can plan your vacation around it.

Is this a great deal or what? And the best news is that the waiting list for breeder dogs is really short right now, so you won't have much of a wait — if any.

If you'd like to adopt a breeder dog, call Guide Dogs at (415) 499-4000 and ask for Rick Wilcox in the breeding department.

If you'd rather adopt a dropout, the waiting list could be quite a bit longer, depending on how picky you are about what you want. (For some reason, everyone seems to want a female yellow Lab.)

The same goes for retired guide dogs. If the 4-H Clubbers who raised them can't take them back, they get put up for adoption, too. But here again, the waiting list can get quite long.

But even if you don't want to adopt a dog, by all means still go to the ceremony this Saturday. It's just a hop, skip and jump over the Richmond Bridge.

Just head north on Highway 101 and take the San Pedro Road West exit. (It's near the Marin Civic Center.) Go under the freeway and turn right on Los Ranchitos Road. After about 3/4 of a mile, you'll see the Guide Dogs facility on the right, at 350 Los Ranchitos.

The ceremony starts at 1:30 p.m. And it's absolutely free.

I'll be there, and I hope to see you there, too. You won't have any problems spotting me. I'll be the guy buried under a pile of Golden Retriever puppies.

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Library

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sary, said Murdo.

Library budget

The council also approved a contract for the 1995-96 year for additional library services. Following state cuts two years ago, the county only provides 15.5 hours of library service per week. Last year Albany citizens voted in a special tax to pay for an additional 21.5 hours of library service. Albany will pay \$339,858 for the year to maintain the same level of service as last year — 37 hours per week with a reference librarian on duty. This sum will also allow the library to continue programs for children and teens, and to purchase more than \$16,000 worth of new materials and an internet workstation for public use.

Hours for the coming year will be altered slightly starting July 3. The library will stay open until 6 p.m. instead of 5 p.m. on Thursdays, due to user need, said Davis. It will also open at noon from Monday to

Wednesday, instead of at 1 p.m. on Monday and 11 a.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The council also voted at the Monday night meeting to increase the parcel tax that pays for library service, by \$1, from \$42 to \$43 per year, due to cost of living increases.

Library Funding

In separate business, Vice mayor Robert Good, who is a library board member, reported to the council on the creation of a County Service Area for providing additional funding for the county library. Although Albany passed the special tax to supplement library service last year, a similar proposal for the countywide library system failed. Now, the county library system is looking into ways to finance the libraries in unincorporated areas and any cities that may wish to participate.

Good recommended against sending a representative to the committee, saying that it would be time-

consuming, that the city's own special tax already pays for additional service, and that the city may have to pay an additional tax if the service is in the County Service Area.

"If we don't participate, nothing happens," said Good.

Larry Jones, secretary to the Finance Committee, as well as vice-chair of the Library Board, said Jones. He said Albany could lose some money that are currently subsidizing the library. "We always have the option of losing it," Jones said.

The council voted to refer to the Albany Library Board which will receive information from County Librarian Linda Jones.

"It's worth keeping the door open," said Library Manager Ronnie Davis of Albany.

Trees

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chair of the West County Transportation Advisory Committee, said at the time she would object to what she believed was a reneging of promises.

From Kosel's viewpoint, the California Transportation Commission has stripped landscaping in West County in order to widen the roadway "for the benefit of Solano County residents."

"It was a promise made with West County ... that mature, existing plantings would be replaced," she said.

At Monday night's meeting, she gave a brief report on a discussion she'd had with a member of the California Transportation Commission.

"I was told it was frivolous to expect them to comply with promises made or to expect they would (remediate) the environmental damage they have done," said Kosel. "... I'd like to see the cities of West County pursue a

lawsuit against the California Transportation Commission."

Kosel said she had already discussed the possibility with several members of the Sierra Club.

Mayor Norman La Force agreed and has already taken the first step. He told the council Monday he had already asked that the possibility of pursuing a lawsuit be placed on the next agenda of the Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference two weeks from now.

"We want to begin a coordinated effort to make Caltrans do what it agreed to do in (the freeway project's) environmental documentation," he said following the meeting.

According to La Force, "other mayors have expressed the same concern; (some) are very upset. I was just the one to get the ball rolling."

La Force expected the mayors to begin developing a strategy for approaching the issue at their meeting.

He also said he had asked county officials to ask Rogers to attend.

During the council meeting, council member Bartke repeated her ongoing desire that the city sue the possibility of "living walls" — growing vegetation rather than concrete walls — consistently said living walls will not work.

"We need an eight-foot base for these walls," she added, however, "I think there's a way to do it."

The Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference will be held in San Ramon July 6.

In the meantime, La Force has a suggestion for who wish to understand the real issue.

"Just take a drive down the freeway and see all the way to Fremont some time. See the graffiti that's on them. Look at that. No one ever uses."

"That's what we're getting."

Blotter

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was a 1988 Olds Delta 88 taken from the 1200 block of Cabrillo during the night of June 1.

A 1993 Chevy Caprice was taken from the 5700 block of El Dorado during the night of June 1; during the night of June 15, a 1988 Yamaha motorcycle was taken from the 1300 block of Everett Street.

A 1982 Buick Riviera was reported stolen out of a carport in the 2000 block of Key during the night of June 10.

• Property thefts from vehicles were reported in the 600 block of Norvell Street on the morning of June 16 (garden equipment taken), the 2700 block of Arlington Avenue during the night of June 13 (cellular phone and briefcase), the 1000 block of Navellier Street between June 10 and 12 (knives), the 700 block of Balra (currency and coins), the 500 block of Liberty during the evening of June 3 (cellular phone), the 2000 block of Junction Avenue on the morning of June 10 (indash stereo);

At Gill and Peerless during the daytime June 12 (stereo and cash), at El Cerrito Plaza May 29 between 8 p.m. and 9:05 p.m. (two credit cards) and between June 7 and 9 (miscellaneous items), in the 1300 block of Everett Street during the night of May 31 (glove box rifle; no loss reported), the 500 block of Kearney during the late evening June 4 (CD player and changer, speakers, amps and equalizer), the 500 block of Colusa

Avenue during the night of June 5 (cellular phone), the 1200 block of Norvell Street during the night of June 6 (baby bag, stereo and credit card), and the 5900 block of Jordan Avenue during the night of June 7 (radio and cash).

• Two Richmond men were arrested for taking cases of Pepsi from a delivery truck in a lot in the 5800 block of Cutting Boulevard.

• Someone used a BB gun to crack four vehicle windshields at Auto Import Sales between June 3 and 5.

• Vehicles were also vandalized in the 1500 block of Elm Street on two different nights. Someone broke a vehicle mirror on the afternoon of May 30; during the night of June 7, someone scratched paint on a vehicle.

Someone used a BB-type weapon to break the window of an Atlas Welding Supply vehicle during the night of June 13 (no location given); in the 2500 block of Arlington Avenue, a window was reported broken the same night.

Someone used a blunt object to break a vehicle window and also slashed a tire in the 3300 block of Santa Clara Avenue during the night of May 31.

• A Richmond man was arrested at San Pablo and Wall Street at 2:25 a.m. June 4 on two outstanding warrants.

• Two San Pablo male juveniles were arrested for possession of an unreported stolen motorcycle at the BART path and Fairmont at 4:07 a.m. June 12.

• A Petaluma man was arrested for possession of rock cocaine June 8 at 3:50 p.m.

• Shoplifters were arrested at the intersection of the Oakland woman and a Richmond man, and at Lucky on the intersection of the Oakland woman.

• Two bikes were turned in to the police.

Budget

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assessment at the same rate year after year. Individuals would pay about \$90.50 per year, or less than \$72, if the assessment had risen over the Consumer Price Index.

"We could cover maybe 90 to 95 percent of the cost of services rather than 75 percent," the recommending (the assessment) stay at 1988 despite the fact that our costs (including) our costs for materials."

Al Miller, who recently stepped down as superintendent of the Parks and Recreation Department, noted that an adjusted assessment provided enough funding for the annual program on park and recreation facilities looking at (early this year).

He encouraged the council to conduct an assessment next year.

Letters

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groups and not as individual Americans with equal opportunities inevitably sets the stage for racial conflict.

Cinco de Mayo was celebrated by three whole days of gang battles and disruptions at Richmond High School in Richmond. Albany Police Chief Larry Murdo has said that other "single-culture type shows" have triggered violence in Pinole and elsewhere.

Chief Murdo recently attended a seminar on "managing diversity" and learned that some of the politically correct smog is at last beginning to lift from "multiculturalism," the divisive, dangerous, and totally unAmerican notion that racial groups should maintain and emphasize their ethnic identities rather than assimilate into the mainstream of their adopted country.

According to an article in the *Los Angeles Times* quoted at the seminar, educators are now "rethinking" multiculturalism and "worrying that past efforts to teach it may have widened the ethnic divisions they were meant to close."

Dr. Ronald Takaki, ethnic studies professor at UC Berkeley, opined that, "We've gone beyond the need to recover identity roots, and now we're realizing that our paths are crisscrossing each other." The professor might have put it more strongly if this "crisscrossing" had put him in the hospital. But educators are a lot safer in the Ivory Tower from whence so much rubbish flows than in the schools where it collects and corrupts.

From accounts in this paper it seems that

Albany High's Cinco de Mayo assembly speaker, UC Professor Carlos Muñoz Jr., strayed far from what his supporters termed "the historical, political, and cultural significance of Cinco de Mayo." We are told that the professor unburdened himself of opinions on "contemporary issues of immigration (read Proposition 187) and affirmative action which confront Latinos and other people of color...."

Political pontification of this sort — not to mention the reported use of the term "oppressor" in a context which outraged many whites — has no place whatsoever in a tax-supported school. If responsible officials did not check out what the professor had to say in advance, they should have. And if they did and approved of it, they are reprehensible.

Dr. Muñoz has been quoted in this paper as critical of our "Eurocentric curriculum." Is anyone surprised? Further, he is reported to want "our kids" prepared to become "citizens of the world." Along with little things like the sensitivities of much of his audience, allegiance to America seems to have gotten lost in the translation.

So we all can know exactly what Dr. Muñoz actually said, he should submit a copy of his address for printing in its entirety or in part in this newspaper. And as long as the school persists in sanctioning politically charged events, they should be camcordered or taped. These recordings should be available to the public just as are the tapes of city council meetings.

Transit

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may be gone by then, she said, encouraging the council to write a letter of concern.

Jane Bartke spoke to the loss of weekend service and the impact on youth who are dependant on it.

Cathie Kosel referred to Amherst, Mass., as a city with "no traffic problems," despite its heavy activity. Bus service there is 100 percent subsidized and free to passengers, she said.

"Bus transportation is probably the most cost-effective mode of transit," said Kosel. "It's upsetting to me...that the budget does require these service cuts."

Kosel noted that buses are people's main link to all

major modes of transportation.

"I wish one-one hundredth of the subsidy we put into single occupancy vehicles could be put into buses," she said. "...one day we'll all wake up and move some of that gas tax (money into bus service), or we'll be choking ourselves."

Parry agreed and asked the council for any help it could give in "changing our current funding priorities."

According to AC Transit figures, the district serves 230,000 total daily riders over 390 square miles. There are 702 buses in the system, traveling 25 million miles per year. The lion's share of riders are going to work

or school; a little less than 40 percent for operation come from passengers.

Among changes that would direct money to Kensington and surrounding areas, on lines #7 and #15 would be eliminated. Service starting later and ending at 11 p.m. on #15.

Route #43 would continue on weekdays at 10 p.m. seven days per week, terminating at Solano and San Pablo at 11 p.m. weekdays and all day Saturdays. A variety of changes are expected for lines #7, #15, #21, #22, #23, #25, #26, #29, #31, #32, #33, #34, #35, #36, #37, #38, #39, #40, #41, #42, #43, #44, #45, #46, #47, #48, #49, #50, #51, #52, #53, #54, #55, #56, #57, #58, #59, #60, #61, #62, #63, #64, #65, #66, #67, #68, #69, #70, #71, #72, #73, #74, #75, #76, #77, #78, #79, #80, #81, #82, #83, #84, #85, #86, #87, #88, #89, #90, #91, #92, #93, #94, #95, #96, #97, #98, #99, #100.

Parents of Albany students who are educated without politicization, and who understand the increasing physical and mental face, must act quickly. And it is the rest of us who wish to salvage our system and maintain the high quality of education now enjoy in this community give our full support. The battle can be won. May 4 have shown it is already won. We thought.

There are well-organized groups in the community dedicated to furthering the cause for a variety of reasons, some altruistic, some self-serving.

Superintendent of Schools C. D. Miller stated that the Cinco de Mayo attack was more of the same multiculturalism needed! Other school officials humiliated him. This is to be expected. Most schools simply have no stomach for bucking societal trends or for standing up to militant groups. When some such group wave, administrators just surf on the wave.

If the majority — and by majority I mean thinking people of all ethnic groups — stop divisive and dangerous multiculturalism, we will have to organize and work toward that end. School authorities will only when they feel the greater pressure of majority can exert if it has the will.

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Loan preapproval puts buyer ahead of the competition

Lowered interest rates combined with a large inventory of unsold homes have created an excellent opportunity to purchase real estate. Sellers are being more flexible in their underwriting, and tax laws are more favorable to homeowners. It would be advantageous for a potential buyer to make their offer on a property the "strongest" possible. In the past, sellers have insisted that the purchase contract contain a clause stating that the buyer be pre-qualified for a loan within a certain number of days. This merely meant that the buyer needed to get a lender and provided information which then allowed the lender to write a letter saying essentially that, based on the information provided, the buyer appears to be qualified for the loan amount requested. Usually there was no credit check or verification of the data applied.

Real estate agents and sellers have found that transactions fell through because the buyer's estimate of credit rating differed from the lender's — an expected gift didn't materialize, for example, or the lender did not analyze his income properly.

A more realistic approach, which strengthens the buyer's offer, is a preapproval. A loan application is completed, a credit report is obtained, bank statements, income reported by pay stubs and W-2's are analyzed, and the entire file is written as a credit-only package.

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Hannah Goody is a mortgage broker and president of Goody Mortgage & Investment, Inc. in Oakland. She may be reached at 658-8000.

Jarvis honored in firestorm awards program

Jarvis Architects of Berkeley received awards for Excellence in Residential Design from the AIA East Bay 1995 Firestorm Awards Program for two new homes recently built in the Oakland (Montclair) hills. The award-winning homes were two of 30 selected from over 100 entries by a jury of Bay Area design professionals and critics.

Cottage for the hills

Dr. Kathleen Roth lost her first home to the Oakland hills firestorm in 1991. In vowing to rebuild, she pictured her new home as a retreat from her heavy duties as an emergency room physician. She was intrigued by the simple elements of rustic cottages and rural buildings seen throughout the California landscape.

Inspired by the informal and sometimes piecemeal way in which these buildings were put together, Jarvis Architects designed the house as it had once been a cottage that had been added to a number of times; the result is a composition of contrasting elements played against a simple backdrop.

The exterior is a blend of tradi-



The northeast exterior of Dr. Kathleen Roth's residence on Virgo Road.

tional vernacular materials such as cedar shingles, vertical painted wood boards and plywood with battens, mixed with other honestly expressed materials like corrugated metal panels, pressure-treated wood brackets and rail-

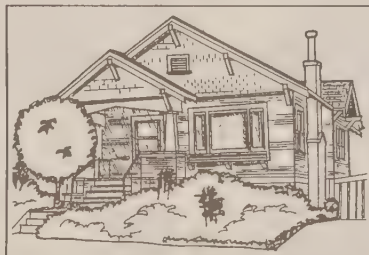
ings, clear heart redwood and natural colored stucco. All harmonize to create a newly interpreted cottage aesthetic.

The natural pine paneled wall separating the living room with the stair and dining room demarks

the "old exterior wall of an earlier house" with cutouts where windows and doors might have been. The wall wraps around into the entry and is visible on the exterior

See JARVIS, next page

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by a change in material from wood shingles to plywood and batten siding. Interior windows looking down from the master bathroom, through the "old wall" into the living room provide an eccentric vista through the house. The excellent craftsmanship throughout was performed and directed by Canyon Construction of Canyon.

The house sits on a down slope with views to the west of San Francisco, the Golden Gate Bridge and Marin County to the north. The view from the master bedroom window to the west, with only a guard-rail for foreground and the bay in the background, sets up a feeling of being in a treehouse or even an airplane cockpit.

The continuous curved wood deck along the west side of the house helps to unite all the jogs and bump outs that occur along that facade. The deck is 18 inches below the level of the main floor so as not to obscure the view from the inside while high ceilings below keep the

lowered deck from infringing upon the views from the lower-floor rooms.

The steep slope and the required building setback located the car deck over 25 feet above the ground and way down the hill. The unique solution was inspired by the wooden water towers often seen adjacent to buildings in the California countryside.

Details make the home

David Krier and Elizabeth Ryan lost their first home on the Oakland hills fire in 1991. Their primary design goals were to build a house as spacious and full of character as much larger and more expensive homes, do it on a tight budget, and make it look like an older home that had survived the fire.

The design of this home breaks the constraints of its modest size and budget by placing the major living spaces around two compact and dramatic stairways, by the thoughtful introduction of daylight, and by the deliberate exclusion of walls.

The Craftsman-inspired open railing provides the entry stair hall



David Krier and Elizabeth Ryan's Mountain Boulevard residence.

and its adjoining spaces with definition and transparency. The dining room and living room are separated by an open stairway framed by thick arches and simply detailed columns. Sight lines are extended through adjoining rooms to divided lite windows and French doors which overlook the garden, patio, and landscape.

The living room ceiling, dramatically higher than ceilings elsewhere in the house, compensates for the modest size of the room. Thin battens placed over the wallboard give the ceiling an inexpensive yet elegant paneled treatment.

Windows are placed on two or three sides of every room to flood each space with ample daylight. Generous natural daylighting, a very open plan for the main floor living spaces, and subtle changes in scale and proportions — all contribute to making a small house feel larger.

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REDWOOD HTS TRADITIONAL \$269,900
Absolutely charming 4BR, 2.5BA. Excellent home office or au pair set up. Extra storage space. Lovely level yard. Large family style kitchen. CAROL COHEN 339-8400

ONLY ONE LIKE THIS & AFFORDABLE \$269,000
Charming! Beautiful split-level design on cul-de-sac framed by unobstructed pano view! It's true! 30's vintage. 2+BR, 1+BA. Perfect for entertaining. RACHEL BALLER 530-3580

CROCKER HIGHLANDS VALUE! \$269,000
Quiet 3BR within walking distance to excellent elementary school & SF bus. Private, serene setting. Huge basement. Level yard. Anxious owners! LYN MURRAY 339-8686

LET NATURE BE YOUR DECORATOR \$259,000
When you live in this stunning 2+BR Redwood home. City close yet country quiet, peaceful setting. Level out to brick patio and deck. Ideal for outdoor living. ARNOLD/EARLE 530-6099

FORMER SHOWPLACE \$257,000
Built by the Duttons, classic split-level Medit built in 1936. Offers 2380 sq ft of living. Family room downstairs w/French doors opening to gardens. MARIA SINCLAIR 287-9586

ONE LEVEL TRAD ON LRG LOT \$249,000
3BR, 1BA, new roof, hardwood flrs, sep breakfast nook and sep laundry, updated kit move-in cond. Sunny and bright, lrg yard with play area and growing area. SUE WILLIAMS 339-8400

ENJOY STEADY INCOME \$240,000
from this one of a kind classic 4-plex in appreciating rental area. Spacious rms, updated units, 4 garages, yard, easy maintenance. Close to all conveniences. ARNOLD MUELLER 530-6099

BEAUTIFY & SIMPLIFY YOUR LIFE \$237,000
Decorator-perfect 2BR, 2+BA, has great design, privacy & quality upgrades. Steps to lagoon, paths, tennis, pool. Walk to shopping. Ferry to the city. MARLA/RANDA 522-2889

REDWOOD HEIGHTS AREA \$227,500
Imagine 3BR, 2BA on 1 level with gorgeous bay views from a charming, spacious living room. 2 car garage, with interior access. Large modern kitchen. CAROL COHEN 339-8400

COUNTRY CLUB VIEW CONDO \$219,000
Upper Rockridge 2BR, 2BA in quiet 9-unit bldg. Panoramic SF views, huge rooms, marble fireplace, private laundry, even a safe! Walk to transportation. STEVEN BIASATTI 339-8400

GLENVIEW - REDUCED! \$218,000
Pretty, sunny bungalow with gumwood trim & built-ins. 2 bedroom plus room for home-office/den/nursery. Huge basement. Walk to SF bus/shops/restaurants. LYN MURRAY 339-8686

CONTRACTOR SPECIAL MONTCLAIR \$210,000
Located on dead end cul-de-sac, bay view. Four 4 bedroom, 2 bath, walk to Montclair. Fix the way you like it. Not for the faint of heart! SUE WILLIAMS 339-8400

FANNIE MAE OWNED PROPERTIES \$50,000-\$200,000
Spacious home with nice view. Second kitchen and rampus. Also four bedroom fixer and more. MICHAEL HARDING 287-9596

OAKLAND HILLS - JUST LISTED! \$199,000
Move right in and enjoy a good floor plan & pretty yard. 2 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, 2 car garage. Over 1500 sq ft with great appeal. MIKE SULLIVAN 465-5251

PENTHOUSE - VIEW THE LAKE \$179,000
Spectacular unit in the prestigious Regulus Bldg. High ceilings, crown molding, views from everywhere. Security with concierge. Absolutely stunning. MIKE HARDING 652-6537

PUTS A SMILE ON YOUR FACE \$169,000
& your pocketbook. Enchanting Eng garden, charm, sunny bungalow w/1-2 rm or 3rd BR, extra storage, 2 car det gar w/sep for artists studio. Bargain \$! CAROLYNN HARTLEY 272-9030

CHEAPER THAN RENT-GLENVIEW \$169,000
Nice Cape Cod 3 bedroom + home office, formal dining, high ceilings, 1.5 baths, 2 car garage. Over 1500 sq ft with great appeal. HAL CASTLE 339-9778

ALAMEDA TOWNHOUSE-STYLE CONDO \$169,000
Enjoy resort-like living in this 2BR, 1.5BA sunny and well-maintained unit. Hardwood floors, marble entry, etc. Completely refurbished w/new tile, shops, & bus live to SF. VICKIE CHAN CASE 339-8400

WHAT A BUY!! OPEN TO OFFERS! \$159,000
Take a look. Must be sold. All expensive work done. New roof. House & double garage, paint, carpets, kitchen counters etc. Has termite clearance. KEN FERRELL 339-8400

VILLA DEL LAGO CONDOMINIUM \$159,000
2BR, 2BA level-in unit, unique complex, hill view from home. Excellent parking and storage, convenient location, lower HOA. His location. NICK LAWRENCE 339-8400

NEW LISTING \$159,000
Lowest price home in Temescal area. Bright, clean, new carpet, new bathroom and kitchen floor. SAM GHADERI 339-8400

GRAB THIS 2BR, 1BA CHARMER! \$159,000
Piedmont Ave condo that has front exposure, oak floors, bath, excellent floor plan, and a stones throw from all that the Avenue has to offer! JAN NEFF 339-8400

3 BRIDGE VIEWS!! 1 KELTON CT \$159,000
Piedmont Ave's sought after Kellon Court. 1 bedroom with fabulous views. Truly luxury living. CAROL COHEN 339-8400

REDUCED! \$159,000
Double wide, downslope lot in tranquil hill area close to Berkeley, Hwy 24 and Claremont shopping area. Lower HOA. Good value! LYN MURRAY 339-8686

SPECTACULAR BARGAIN \$159,000
1BR condo in quality York Towers. Deeded storage & parking. Has full earthquake insurance. Pool, sauna, E2-garage. Commute. Excellent opport. ARTHUR MACDONALD 287-9596

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Services for home now on Web

WebLink Inc., a Berkeley firm specializing in Internet marketing, has created an online directory of home contractors and home service professionals. For the first time, home contractors and home owners can use an inexpensive way to reach each other on the Internet.

The directory, called the Home Owners' Page, is open to businesses and individuals offering services to home owners: general contractors, roofers, plumbers, painters, carpenters, electricians, handypersons, gardeners, movers and haulers, pest control services, and house cleaners, to name a few. Readers can browse through the listings — at no charge

— by contractor category, city, or name.

The Home Owners' Page is available on the Internet's World Wide Web at <http://www.weblink.com/homeowners/>.

Contractors can list their services on the Home Owners' Page for just \$5 a month. Special options, including color pictures and electronic mail links, are available at an additional charge.

Seth Goldstein, president of WebLink, said he hopes to expand the Home Owners' Page in the near future to include contractors from the rest of the Bay Area, as well as information about real estate.

Northbrae Properties

WAKE UP IN PARADISE
Spectacular contemporary on half acre. Lots of light. Wonderful Bay and Hill views. Pool & spa. 4 bedroom, 3 bath. Offered at \$650,000.



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Area Home Sales

ALAMEDA
1817 9th St. - \$145,000
107 Anderson Rd. - \$385,000
517 Grand St. - \$238,000
12 Invinible Ct. #D38 - \$218,000
1849 Kofman Parkway - \$400,000
866 Laurel St. - \$321,000
35 Shephardson Lane #4 - \$248,000
1717 Wood St. - \$165,000

BERKELEY
1411 Berkeley Way - \$127,000
2236 Byron St. - \$135,000
2335 California St. - \$230,000
3108 Claremont Ave. - \$335,000
1417 Harmon St. - \$110,000
1624 M L King Jr Way - \$351,000
24 Roble Ct. - \$670,000
2958 Russell St. - \$517,000
740 San Luis Rd. - \$1,150,000
449 Spruce St. - \$260,000
2615 Telegraph Ave. #307 - \$126,500

EL CERRITO
211 Carmel Ave. - \$234,000
207 San Carlos Ave. - \$235,000
8755 Terr Dr. - \$301,000

EL SOBRANTE
1101 Allview Ave. - \$125,000

4554 Canyon Rd. - \$125,000

EMERYVILLE
6363 Christie Ave. #2013 - \$80,000

OAKLAND
5919 Acacia Ave. - \$235,000
3826 Agua Vista St. - \$150,000
6118 Ascot Dr. - \$268,000
6787 Broadway Terr. - \$250,000
5880 Chabot Rd. - \$240,000
6143 Contra Costa Rd. - \$137,000
6501 Dana St. - \$205,000
6148 Fairlane Dr. - \$131,500
801 Franklin St. #418 - \$95,000
5500 Golden Gate Ave. - \$160,000
2503 Highland Ave. - \$105,000
3039 Kansas St. - \$169,000
1830 Lakeshore Ave. #309 - \$120,000
4026 Lakeshore Ave. - \$280,000
6448 Longcroft Dr. - \$242,500
1855 Manzanita Dr. - \$282,000
59 Melvin Ct. - \$235,000
3708 Midvale Ave. - \$140,000
3021 Millsbrae Ave. - \$162,500
31 Mission Hills St. - \$210,000
4184 Montgomery St. - \$240,000
46 Mott Pl. - \$450,000

6208 Outlook Ave. - \$100,000
958 Park Lane - \$398,000
245 Perkins St. #101 - \$75,000
5052 Pierpoint Ave. - \$325,000
124 Rishell Dr. - \$255,000
5851 Romany Rd. - \$730,000
2124 Rosedale Ave. - \$142,000
3935 Santa Rita St. - \$107,000
6601 Saroni Dr. - \$317,000
6050 Skyline Blvd. - \$290,000
9377 Skyline Blvd. - \$450,000
268 Somerset Rd. - \$340,000
10 Stephens Way - \$540,000
7618 Sunkist Dr. - \$130,000
4600 Tompkins Ave. - \$198,000
1618 Trestle Glen Rd. - \$285,000
3329 Vale Ave. - \$128,000
9435 Walnut St. - \$112,000

PIEDMONT
284 Mountain Ave. - \$1,428,000
119 Ronada Ave. - \$259,000

BERKELEY
TOTAL SALES: 11
LOWEST PRICE: \$110,000
HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,150,000
AVERAGE PRICE: \$364,681

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FIRST TIME OPEN

\$865 MARGARIDO - Spanish Mediterranean - 3 bedrooms, 3+ baths, decks, views. Great Claremont Pines location, close to BART & College Avenue shops. DONNA DE BARDI...\$450,000

135 ACACIA AVE.....	CLAREMONT PINES.....	5BD, 3.5BA.....	\$825,000.....	JIM DUFFY
1925 SKYLINE BLVD.....	OAKLAND HILLS.....	5BD, 3.5BA.....	\$789,000.....	JUDY RANKANKAN
11905 SKYLINE BLVD.....	OAKLAND HILLS.....	5BD, 4BA.....	\$729,000.....	JUDY RANKANKAN
17 BAY FOREST.....	NORTH HILLS.....	3BD, 2.5BA.....	\$479,000.....	DARCY DIAMANTINE
184 GRANDVIEW.....	HILLER HIGHLANDS.....	3BD, 3BA.....	\$469,000.....	OLLIE HAMMEREL
620 CASTLE DR.....	MONTCLAIR.....	3BD, 2.5BA.....	\$469,000.....	NANCY DICKEY
19 BAY FOREST.....	NORTH HILLS.....	3BD, 3.5BA.....	\$449,000.....	KEN MACDONALD
401 ZINN.....	MONTCLAIR.....	4+BD, 3.5BA.....	\$389,000.....	FRITZ HOCHFELLNER
602 LINDA AVE.....	PIEDMONT.....	3BD, 1.25BA.....	\$379,000.....	ADRIANA GIACOMELLI
5 HAWKS HILL CT.....	HILLER HIGHLANDS.....	2BD, 2BA.....	\$370,000.....	OLLIE HAMMEREL
14 STARVIEW.....	HILLER HIGHLANDS.....	3BD, 2.5BA.....	\$349,500.....	OLLIE HAMMEREL
1861 ABERFOIL.....	CHABOT HIGHLDS.....	3+BD, 2+BA.....	\$319,000.....	RUTH LOCKHART
10 STARVIEW.....	HILLER HIGHLANDS.....	3BD, 2.5BA.....	\$310,000.....	OLLIE HAMMEREL
1806 KEARNEY AVE.....	WOODMINSTER.....	2+BD, 2BA.....	\$299,000.....	NANCY S.WELK
1431 MASONIC.....	ROCKRIDGE.....	2BD, 1BA.....	\$289,000.....	VICKY FAULK
1140 LAWTON.....	ROCKRIDGE.....	2BD, 2BA.....	\$269,000.....	DON COELHO
1918 MARDEN LN.....	MONTCLAIR.....	3BD, 2BA.....	\$269,000.....	DELL M. ORR
135 WARWICK.....	ADAMS POINT.....	3BD, 2BA.....	\$245,000.....	DONNA RANSLER
1815 ELSTON.....	GLENVIEW.....	2BD, 1BA.....	\$219,500.....	FIONA MACINTYRE
1218 - 35TH AVE.....	REDWOOD HEIGHTS.....	3BD, 1BA.....	\$162,500.....	RUBY NG

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OAKLAND ★ MONTCLAIR ★ PIEDMONT ★ ALAMEDA

PRIME PIEDMONT.....\$845,000
Level lot for comfortable living in this California ranch. Large living room, formal dining, 3+ bedrooms, 4.5 baths, private patio.
Norm Robinow

MAGNIFICENT VIEWS.....\$745,000
Stunning 5BD, 3BA high quality contemp by arch. David Hoxie. SF & Bay views, gourmet kitchen, soaring ceilings, pool & hot tub.
Dian Hymer

PIEDMONT.....\$625,000
One level home on lg lot. Formal entry, vaulted ceiling, pool & pool house. 3BD, 2.5BA.
George Karsant

PIEDMONT.....\$569,000
Charming Cape Cod in sought after location. Separate patio with exterior access, great for home office. 3 bedrooms, 3 baths.
George Karsant

TWO HOUSES - ROCKRIDGE.....\$407,500
Two charming houses & cottage on one lot with great privacy & park-like setting. Ideal for 2 owners or owner & tenant. Could be 2 condos.
Dian Hymer

SPACIOUS RANCH.....\$329,000
3BD, 2.5BA. Enjoy quiet suburban lifestyle & urban convenience. Near parks, golf course, trails & horse country.
Ruth Lockhart

SONOMA PARK VILLA.....\$329,000
Stunning 3BD, 2.5BA, Spanish Med style villa. Wooded canyon view, flagstone courtyard, elegant master suite. Distinctive architecture.
Sherry Benninger

ROCKRIDGE HIGHLANDS.....\$299,000
Two story traditional. Beautiful remodeled kitchen, spacious bedroom, large upslope yard with greenhouse. 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths.
Adriana Giacomelli

ALAMEDA INCOME.....\$279,000
One home w/finished bsmt plus detached cottage. Nice landscaped lot, common laundry rm.
Kevin McMullen

OAKMORE.....\$239,000
Sit out on the deck and enjoy the big bay view. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath and hardwood floors.
Adrienne Broche

HEART OF MONTCLAIR.....\$229,000
Walk to many conveniences. Well kept 3BD, 2BA, level out to rear patio. 2 car garage.
George Karsant

LOVELY STARTER.....\$221,000
3BD, 2BA ranch style home in desirable Grass Valley neighborhood. Beautiful hardwood floors, fireplace & patio.
Ruth Lockhart

ALAMEDA.....\$219,000
Charming Fernside area. Mediterranean bungalow. Lovely interior details. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath.
Kevin McMullen

ADORABLE BUNGALOW.....\$199,500
Just listed. Charming gardens, deck & hot tub. Serene wooded setting. Remod. kit. 2BD, 1BA.
Donna DeBardi

MONTCLAIR HIDEAWAY.....\$199,500
Updated 2BD, 1BA minutes away from Montclair Village. Sunny & bright, this rustic bungalow feels like a Tahoe-style retreat.
Michael Thompson

BELOW MARKET.....\$159,900
Duplex - terrific income opportunity. Each unit has 2 bedrooms & 1 bath. In the convenient Laurel district. Great price.
Adriana Giacomelli

2 STORY TOWNHOUSE.....\$144,850
Great value! 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Living room with fireplace. Detached 1 car garage & security gate.
Norm Robinow

CHETWOOD GARDENS CONDO.....\$137,000
2 bedrooms, 2 baths. Beautifully upgraded. Corner unit with fireplace.
Fritz Hochfellner

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2722 PRINCE.....	BERKELEY.....	3BR/2BA.....	\$410,000.....	LINDA GERSON
2233 CALIFORNIA.....	BERKELEY.....	3BR/1BA.....	\$275,000.....	CHRIS COHN
1479 LINCOLN.....	BERKELEY.....	2BR/1+BA.....	\$267,000.....	KAREN BRAND
73 ALAMO.....	BERKELEY.....	3BR/2BA.....	\$260,000.....	NEIL MISHALOV
1503 POSEN.....	BERKELEY.....	2+BR/1BA.....	\$251,500.....	MONA THOMPSON
1355 CAMPUS DR.....	BERKELEY.....	2BR/1BA.....	\$249,000.....	TRICIA SWIFT
1317 PERALTA.....	BERKELEY.....	2BR/1BA.....	\$242,000.....	HEIDI LONG
2420 GRANT.....	BERKELEY.....	2BR/2BA.....	\$197,500.....	MELISSA EIZENBERG
1537 ADDISON.....	BERKELEY.....	2BR/1BA + cottage.....	\$196,000.....	NANCY REICHERT
1208 ROSE.....	BERKELEY.....	2BR/1BA.....	\$160,000.....	SALLY HENDRICKSON
255 AMHERST.....	KENSINGTON.....	3BR/2BA.....	\$339,000.....	GILDA WALDMAN
848 SOLANO.....	ALBANY.....	5+BR/4BA.....	\$369,000.....	KIM CLEVELAND
445 62ND ST.....	OAKLAND.....	3BR/2BA.....	\$270,000.....	RITA ZWERDLING
5779 AYALA.....	OAKLAND.....	2BR/2BA.....	\$209,000.....	JERRY RATCH
323 MONTEVISTA.....	OAKLAND.....	1BR/1BA.....	\$187,500.....	PHYLLIS SAGLE
832 RICHMOND.....	EL CERRITO.....	3BR/2BA.....	\$285,000.....	JANE ISHIBASHI
7828 EUREKA.....	EL CERRITO.....	3BR/1BA.....	\$225,000.....	DIANA KAY
1022 LIBERTY.....	EL CERRITO.....	3BR/1BA.....	\$179,000.....	CANDACE HYDE-VANG
3329 BRENTWOOD.....	EL SOBRANTE.....	5BR/3BA.....	\$259,500.....	KAREN DANRICH
4623 CANYON RD.....	EL SOBRANTE.....	4+BR/2BA.....	\$192,000.....	TINA ENSIGN
2679 KELLEY.....	SAN PABLO.....	3BR/2BA.....	\$124,000.....	JOHN SEFTON

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BERKELEY ★ KENSINGTON ★ ALBANY ★ EL CERRITO ★ RICHMOND

DISTINCTIVE CLAREMONT COURT ESTATE.....\$849,000
Looks like it was lifted from a hill in Tuscany! Two story, 5BR, 3.5BA, large, elegant DR, custom chandeliers, marble flps & brass hardware throughout. Situated on a double lot w/magnificent gardens, flagstone patio & gazebo. Located in one of Berkeley's finest areas. Featured in the BAHJA tour in 1993!

TWO HOMES ON WOODED BERKELEY ESTATE.....\$569,000
Gorgeous panoramic bay views from both houses! Upper home is 3 bedroom, 2 bath with formal dining room. Lower house is custom designed 2+ bedrooms, 1 bath. Incredible grounds for walking, gardens and lawns. Must see!

KENSINGTON JEWEL, EXQUISITELY REDONE.....\$439,000
4BR, 2BA plus a large family room & formal dining! Bright & cheerful remodeled kitchen opens to beautiful, private yard. Bay views, hwd floors, sunny & charming throughout.

LOVELY ELMWOOD CRAFTSMAN STYLE.....\$410,000
JUST LISTED! Striking inside and out! Exciting master suite with vaulted ceilings and luxurious bath. 3 large bedrooms, 2 baths, sunny kitchen, formal dining room and family room that open on to a large deck and yard. On a quiet street in a top Berkeley neighborhood.

SPANISH STYLE IN THE BERKELEY HILLS.....\$369,000
Very private, wooded setting. 3BR, 2BA with a formal dining & remodeled kitchen. Downstairs office & bedroom open to a large level garden.

2-BRIDGE VIEW FROM ALBANY.....\$369,000
4BR, 3BA plus an in-law. Rare farmhouse style with original wood detailing and in-law unit. New floor and countertops in kitchen, master suite with bath, refinished hardwood floors. Walk to Solano shops and restaurants.

EUROPEAN GRANDEUR.....\$350,000
Gracious & elegant rooms. Lovely architecture, detail and window treatment. Sweeping staircase. Library. 3 fireplaces. Master suite. Full basement. Approximately 2900 sq. ft. Income Potential.

CITY & BAY VIEWS FROM KENSINGTON.....\$339,000
Light, sunny home with updated kitchen, formal dining, master suite, inlaid hardwood floors, lovely gardens. 3BR, 2BA, with views from the front porch.

TOP OF THE BERKELEY HILLS.....\$329,000
Golden Gate views from one of Berkeley's most desirable streets in the hills. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, gleaming hardwood floors, in move-in condition.

TREE LINED BLOCK IN ALBANY.....\$318,000
Charming 3+ bedroom, 2 bath home with large country kitchen with French doors opening to sunny rear deck. Formal dining, plus big lot with side & rear yards. Walk to schools & shops.

BERKELEY SPANISH/MEDITERRANEAN STYLE.....\$265,000
Very special North Berkeley home. Beamed cathedral ceilings, archways, spacious breakfast room & formal dining room. 2 bedroom, 1.5 baths, huge basement & terraced patios. Move-in condition.

THE AMBIENCE OF WANDERLY.....\$251,500
Lovely 2 bedroom home in wonderful neighborhood, a short walk to Solano restaurants. Formal dining, family room and fireplace make this a terrific buy!

ADORABLE BERKELEY HILLS COTTAGE.....\$249,000
Peaceful & cozy hideaway with wooded views. 2BR, 1BA with formal dining & hardwood floors. Sun decks plus patio & garden.

ELMWOOD DUPLEX.....\$237,500
Walk to campus or Alta Bates. Spacious units, each with 2BR, formal dining and fireplace. Perfect for live-in owner.

A PART OF HISTORY IN BERKELEY.....\$195,000
NEEDS LOTS OF WORK! Old Berkeley charm just a short walk from Live Oak Park & Walnut Square with a San Francisco view. 2BR, 1BA with country kitchen & redwood interior. A must see for the contractor or handyman.

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Artist's sketchbook

Red Oak Realty presents Rick Allen's "Bay Area Sketchbook" at the Red Oak Gallery, 1891 Solano Ave., Berkeley, through July 21. Allen's show consists of watercolors, drawings and mixed media paintings that were all created around the Bay Area. Meet Rick Allen himself at a public reception at Red Oak Gallery, Thursday, June 22, 6 - 8 p.m.

Recycling guide offers tips for home and office

The Alameda County Waste Management Authority has released the newly updated 1995 Alameda County Recycling Guide.

This informative, easy-to-use booklet offers tips on how to recycle at home, at work and in your garden.

The annual amount of solid waste disposed in Alameda County landfills each year has been dramatically reduced—from 2.1 million tons in 1990 to 1.5 million tons in 1994—largely due to the recycling efforts of Alameda County residents and businesses.

Curbside collection programs are in place in most cities, the types of materials that can be recycled are constantly expanding and more people are recycling than ever before.

The 1995 Guide includes a comprehensive directory of Alameda County recycling facilities and vendors.

It provides practical information on where to take reusable and recyclable materials, buying recycled products and reducing waste before it starts.

The guide also features an expanded section on how to properly dispose of hard-to-recycle materials such as plastics, construction debris, used motor oil and household hazardous waste.

To obtain free copies of the 1995 Alameda County Recycling Guide, interested persons or organizations should contact the Waste Management Authority Recycling Hotline at 639-2498.

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ADORABLE & AFFORDABLE \$227,000

2 bedrooms, 2 full baths. Tastefully remodeled kitchen. Large yard. KEN KATZ 287-8756.



VICTORIAN DOLLHOUSE \$139,000 "AS IS"

1 bedroom fixer on a huge lot. 12 ft. ceilings. Charm of a by-gone era. ALICE McLEISH 526-1101



ELMWOOD FAMILY HOME \$310,000

2 Story traditional. Kitchen/family room. Large yard. KATHIE BERG 287-8752



COZY, SUNNY, TUDOR! \$169,500

Peek o'bay view! Shops, cafes close by! 2 bedrooms + basement room. TERRY PEDERSEN 841-3286



FABULOUS VIEW CONDO \$214,950

Cathedral ceilings, light, space! 2 bedrooms, 2 baths. Tennis & pool. SUE NELSON 273-9510

LAKE ROYAL CONDO - NEW LISTING \$149,500

Fantastic lake Merritt view! 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1700+ sq ft. TERRY PEDERSEN 841-3286

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104 Dudley Ave.	\$875,000	1058 Harvard Ave.	\$369,000
256 La Salle Ave.	\$829,000	1235 Grand Ave.	\$310,000
21 Park Way	\$798,000	64 Manor Ave.	\$315,000
229 Carmel Ave.	\$549,000	119 Lake Ave.	\$299,000
9 La Salle Ave.	\$549,000	134 El Cerrito Ave.	\$295,000
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Pear tree fruit is mushy and brown

Q: Each year my pear tree produces beautiful fruit. They are large and healthy looking, but when cut open they are mushy and have a light brown color inside. What causes this?

A: Sounds like they are over-ripe. Pears should be harvested while the fruit is still hard and green. Do not twist or pull the fruit off the tree; lift up the fruit until the stem separates from the spur; if it doesn't break easily, then allow it to ripen for a few more days.

Q: About 30 years ago I planted 50 tall junipers. Over the years I

have kept them well-trimmed into a hedge that is now 2 feet high and 4 feet wide. I'm wondering if I could cut them down into the woody part of the stems, and will they grow back?

A: Junipers can be cut back to the bare stem and foliage will appear, though it may take several months or sometimes years.

Timing is very important; do the pruning before the flush of new growth in the spring. Do not remove the top and sides at the same time because removing most of the vegetation can cause root problems in the summertime with the irrigation.



by Buzz Ber

I recommend you cut as far as you can, but leave foliage. Side shoots will

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Dirt ...

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in time that will allow for more trimming.

Q: I have heard that the rains had nothing to do with plant pollination and that temperature is the controlling factor. Bees would not come out and work until a certain temperature is reached, 60-80 degrees. I can't remember what the temperature was.

A: Temperature does play a

part in the activity and mobility of bees. When the temperature gets warmer, it causes buds to swell and flowers to open, and this is when bees are very active in pollinating.

Rain is the only factor that interrupts the pollination process because bees don't come out in the rain. In 1993, apricot and plum trees did not set fruit because it rained during the flowering period.

This year we may see the same problem due to heavy rains in March and April.

Q: A year ago I purchased a couple of *pelargonium citrosum* Van Leeuwen, the "mosquito fighter." The instructions stated that the plant would get to 5 feet in height. To my surprise, the plant is now over 13 feet tall. What happened?

A: I am guessing that your plant may have been started from seed. Plants that are reproduced from seed do not have consistent characteristics and this may be why you got those results.

Plants reproduced from cuttings bear the same characteristics as the original plant. I recommend pruning it down to a manageable size.

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Events

A Free Workshop for First-Time Home Buyers is Thursday, June 22, 7 - 9 p.m. at Berkeley Hills Realty, 1714 Solano Ave., Berkeley. Topics include writing purchase contracts in your favor; lender guidelines; downpayment programs; community assistance; and strategies to minimize closing costs. Reservations required. Call Jane Allen at 527-7671 or Karen Ward/CMG Mortgage at 718-2134.

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents four workshops on Saturday, June 24: **Kitchen Design Fundamentals**, 10 - 5, \$75; **How to Plan and Build a Loft Storage Unit**, 10 - 1, \$35; **How to Plan and Build Craftsman Style Furniture**, 2 - 5, \$35; and **Deck-building Hands-On Workshop**, Sat. & Sun., 9:30 - 4:30, \$180. Reservations required. Call 525-7610.

The Berkeley Community Law Center, providing legal services to low-income clients in the areas of government benefits, AIDS law and housing, sponsors a **Free Community Clinic for Tenants with Disputes with Landlords**, Monday, June 26, 12:30 p.m. at the West Berkeley Senior Center, 1900 6th St. Call 548-4040 for information.

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, holds a **Home Design: A Summer Intensive**, Monday, June 26 through Friday, June 30, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily. \$325. Reservations required. Call 525-7610.

Albany Adult School presents a course on **Buying a Home**, Tues. & Thurs., June 27 & 29, 7 - 9 p.m. Pat Brock of Ellis Company Real Estate will teach the classes. Students are encouraged to prepare their own questions and concerns to address in class. \$12. Preregistration required. Contact Albany Adult School, 655 Key Route, Albany, CA 94706 or call 559-6580.

The Women's Business Network hosts **Expo! Big Business**

Meets Small Business, Friday, June 30, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. at the Lake Merritt Boathouse, 568 Bellevue, Oakland. Pre-registration is \$15; \$20 at the door. Call 482-8583.

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents a four-day **Owner Contracting Intensive**, Wed., July 5 - Sat., July 8, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. \$250. Registration required. Call 525-7610.

A Free Home Buyer Seminar will be presented by Jane Allen of Berkeley Hills Realty and Karen Ward of CMG Mortgage on Thurs., July 6, 7 - 9 p.m. at 1714 Solano Ave., Berkeley. Learn about first-time buyer programs, pre-qualifying for a loan, how to negotiate the transaction, and how to protect your interests. Reservations required. Participants will receive a free credit report. Call Jane Allen at 527-7671.

On Sat., July 8, the Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents **Plastering Hands-On Workshop**, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., \$90; and **Landscape**

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Albert Farr design. 5BD/4+BA, chef's kit, family rm, library, rum-pus, elevator, pool, magnificent park-like grounds. Joan Daniel
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Best Crocker Highlands location! 3BD/2+BA incl master suite w/French doors to spa, fam rm with frpl & den. Georgia Correll
- PIEDMONT TRADITIONAL.....\$419,000**
4BD/3BA home in wonderful neighborhood. Kit/fam rm opens to deck, au pair with separate entry, landscaped yard. Ann Nichols
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- DRAMATIC MONTCLAIR CONTEMPORARY.....\$359,000**
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- UPPER ROCKRIDGE.....\$349,000**
Great house, lots of space, 4BD/2BA, deck off fam rm, updated kitchen & baths, large back yard, great location! Dee Knowland
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- STYLISH CROCKER TRADITIONAL.....\$307,000**
Well maintained 4BD/2BA home w/versatile floor plan. Updated eat-in kitchen, level-out back yard with deck. Wynn Stephens
- SUNNY TRADITIONAL.....\$299,000**
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- INVITING LAKESHORE TRADITIONAL.....\$280,000**
Handsome LR, formal DR, remodeled kit, 3BD/2+BA, wood deck w/hot tub, lg fenced back garden. Brenda
- ALL LEVEL - PIEDMONT PINES.....\$279,000**
Lots of space, possible home office with bath, 3BD/2+BA, room with fireplace, walk to schools. Frances Heath
- FERN SIDE SETTING.....\$279,000**
2BD/1BA, cathedral beam ceilings, hwd flrs, master kit, huge rear entertaining deck, alarm system. Kim
- QUALITY BUILT RANCH.....\$279,000**
Spacious, well maintained home. 3BD/2BA, lg hwd flrs, level front yard, rear patio, 2-car garage. Wynn Stephens
- GLENVIEW DUPLEX.....\$279,000**
2BD/1BA with updated kitchen & bath, new carpet, 1BD/1BA unit with frpl converted with permits. Frances Heath
- CROCKER HIGHLANDS TRADITIONAL.....\$279,000**
This 2BD/1BA split level is enhanced by many improvements including gleaming hwd flrs, frml DR, lg garden & patio. Claudia Ellinghaus
- SEQUOYAH HEIGHTS TOWNHOUSE.....\$279,000**
Immaculate, all level end unit with SF w/2-car garage, family room, new carpet throughout, level yard. Wynn Stephens
- GREAT MONTCLAIR STARTER.....\$279,000**
Reduced! Quiet, park-like location, lg updated kitchen, family rm, new carpets, 2BD/1BA plus bonus rm. Wynn Stephens
- CRAFTSMAN BUNGALOW.....\$279,000**
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- LAUREL BUNGALOW.....\$279,000**
Very charming and cute with lots of sun! 2BD/1BA, kitchen, hwd flrs, fireplace, private back yard. Wynn Stephens
- EXECUTIVE CONDOMINIUM.....\$279,000**
Prime Rose Garden location. 2BD/2BA, many upgrades like a home. Small well-maint. 12 unit bldg. Claudia Ellinghaus
- A VIEW OF THE HILLS.....\$279,000**
Maxwell Park, Charming 2BD/1BA bungalow in prime eat-in kitchen, formal DR, patio, landscaped yard. Wynn Stephens
- LAKESHORE CONDOMINIUM.....\$279,000**
2BD/2BA corner unit in great walking neighborhood. Well-designed fr plan, lovely courtyard, pool & spa. Wynn Stephens
- ADAMS POINT CONDOMINIUM.....\$279,000**
Light 2BD/2BA unit with remodeled kit & bath, lovely pretty tree view, lobby recently remodeled. Claudia Ellinghaus
- GRAND AVENUE CONDOMINIUM.....\$279,000**
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START SMART! New everything & refinished hardwood floors! Mills Garden Area. \$169,000

OUTSTANDING OAKLAND TUDOR. 3 BR, formal dining. Walk to Redwood Day School, parks, transportation. Full attic and basement. \$184,900. A must see!

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How to avoid loopholes in agreement with design professional

Establishing agreements with a design professional is a complex process. Last month we were reviewing some of the services that you might want to provide to a design professional to provide you.

These could include design development, preparing and reviewing a preliminary plan, preparing permit drawings, preparing construction drawings and specifications, and maintaining involvement through the construction process.

In your agreement with your architect/designer would be listed what services they were to provide you.

What other points should be addressed in an agreement with your design professional? There are not that many but, if they are left out, the process will be less satisfactory for all concerned. Let's review some of these points.

How long is it going to take for the services to be delivered? You

can ask for a timetable prepared by your design professional which puts an idea of the range of time required for each step of the process.

Without a discussion about the different things which could have an impact on the design professional's ideas about time you might be left with unrealistic expectations.

Keep in mind that building departments and homeowners can have a big impact on how long it actually takes to get this work done.

If you like to consider many possibilities and need to see these ideas drawn, the process will take longer than it would for someone who wanted to consider fewer options.

How much is this work going to cost? This question must be addressed in the agreement.

It is difficult when providing consulting services to determine the cost of the work precisely at the beginning of the project.

Some of the things mentioned earlier about time can have a big impact on cost. Keep in mind that

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varies, but it usually falls in the range of between 8 and 15 percent. Why the variation?

Different professionals provide different types of services and do it with different levels of completeness. They also have different ideas about what their services are worth.

Another way costs are addressed is to decide to work together on an hourly basis. This approach has the best chance of working in those situations where cost is of little concern.

However, even though the project starts that way, it usually ends up with costs being more of a concern than they initially were.

So how can cost be addressed in the agreement in a way that serves the needs of both the client

your design professional is selling his time (and skill!), and more time invested in a project usually will equal more cost.

What are some of the ways costs are figured for the purpose of determining an amount to be used in the agreement?

One way is to use a fixed percentage of the projected cost of construction. The percentage used

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158 KEITH AVENUE..... OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30..... \$364,000
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14 EUCLID AVENUE..... \$475,000
Wonderful 3BR, 2BA Mediterranean. Traditional central-hall plan, panoramic bay/SF views on a large sunny landscaped lot. Woodmont pool membership available. Jan Fougner 654-1280 ext. 138

142 GRAVATT DRIVE..... OPEN SUNDAY 2-4..... \$715,000
PRICE REDUCED! New construction, spectacular presentation: views, high ceilings, formal dining room, granite kitchen. Luxurious appointments. Billiard room. 4BR, 3.5BA. Marlene Leverette 548-0709

176 ALVARADO ROAD..... \$825,000
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OAKLAND

1017 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WAY..... \$139,000
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1017 WEBSTER STREET..... \$140,000
Price dropped again! Great Temescal opportunity. Sweet 2BR, 1BA bungalow plus separate cottage. Foreclosure coming. Bring all offers. Leslie Avant 652-2133 ext. 122

122 BENVENUE AVENUE..... \$155,000
Cozy hideaway just a short stroll to College Ave shops. 2BR, 1.5BA, many upgrades, private patio. Charming townhouse T.L.C! Ivey Keogh 652-2133 ext. 126

1229 KEITH AVENUE..... \$297,500
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1972 MAGELLAN DRIVE..... \$310,000
Major Price Reduction! A best buy in Montclair for 3BR, 1+BA Tudor. Walk to Montclair Village. Ron Egberman 652-2133 ext. 127

1818 GOLDEN GATE AVENUE..... \$850,000
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JUST REDUCED! Wonderful 3BR/2BA one level home w/ sunny yard in a lovely convenient neighborhood. Ron Egberman 652-2133 ext. 127

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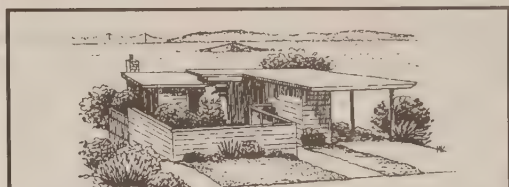
1411 44TH STREET..... \$99,000
Adorable 2BR, 1BA cottage, separate garage, great starter, convenient location. Seller desperate. Bring all offers. Leslie Avant 652-2133 ext. 122

BUILDING LOTS BERKELEY / OAKLAND

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CHANCELLOR PLACE..... \$135,000
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KENSINGTON - Just listed. Stunning view home! Four bedroom, two bath contemporary. Beamed ceilings, deck, skylights, private patio. Panoramic view of San Francisco Bay. Easy care landscaping. \$295,000.



EL CERRITO - Just listed. Three bedroom, 2 bath in popular Mira Vista area. Formal dining, large family room, two fireplaces. Bay & hill views. 90 x 100 lot great for gardeners. \$320,000.
Eves. Ingrid 510-527-6597

ALBANY COMMERCIAL - Excellent location just off of Solano Ave. Great opportunity for owner/user. Potential uses: medical, therapist, dental and other professional uses. Call for details. \$265,000.

ALBANY CONDO - Price reduced on this immaculate, quiet 2 bedroom, 2 bath unit near El Cerrito Plaza shopping & BART. Enclosed garage. \$159,500.

KENSINGTON - Attractive one story home on large level lot. Two bedrooms, beamed ceilings in living room & dining room. Beautiful hardwood floors. Detached studio. Secluded patio. Great location. \$280,000.

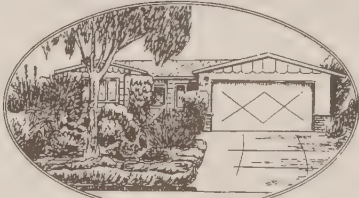


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\$149,000

1740 Ninth Street, Berkeley

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Convenient to North Shattuck shops & top of Solano, this gracious 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath home with over 3000 square feet offers: a serene bay view, remodeled kitchen, elegant style & a huge 3 room, 2 bath master retreat. This could be your castle. Reduced to \$765,000.

WELL-LOCATED RANCH

This 3 bedroom Berkeley Hills home plus au pair offers a lot: the location near Marin Avenue is good for commuting, the quality design, good layout and rear view decking makes for carefree living - the au pair offers flexibility. Even the steps give you healthy heart training and visual privacy above the street. Offered at \$395,000.

HOME SWEET AFFORDABLE HOME

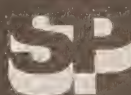
What an opportunity to build equity! This sweet one bedroom is on a quiet street near Monterey Market and Fanny's Cafe. It's nearly level-in, has hardwood floors, eat-in kitchen, laundry room and detached garage. It feels like a little house and it can be yours for only \$105,000!

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An easy walk to UC Berkeley this fourplex has 2 one bedroom rentals and 2 two story units facing the rear garden. Vacant and ready for you to occupy is the spacious 2+ bedroom flat. Here's a great chance for home ownership and rents to help with the mortgage and taxes. Asking price is \$385,000.

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VIEW OF MT. TAM..... \$224,900
NEW PRICE! 3BR, 2BA, partial bay view, 2 car garage. Move-in condition. Near Canyon Trail Park on quiet court. Low maintenance yard. #W33091 Dwight Christopher 510-254-1742

EL CERRITO HILLS VIEW HOME..... \$249,999
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BAY VIEW FAMILY HOME!..... \$269,000
3BR, 2.5BA with rumpus room, excellent street, back yard, living room/dining combo, 2 car garage, over 2000 sq ft. #W33744 Janelle Chiu 510-235-8579

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VINTAGE CHARMER..... \$218,850
2BR, 1BA above Colusa Circle. 1 car garage, freshly painted with formal dining room, private back yard. #W33569 John Anderson 510-237-8842

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VICTORIAN GRACE..... \$125,900
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OAKLAND

LENDER OWNED, YOURS FOR JUST 5% DOWN..... \$128,500
3BR, 1.5BA, large lot w/access to rear, lots of off st parking. Fireplace, formal dining room, NO PMI. #W32996 Dwayne Bartels 510-222-4061

How much should buyer pay for seller's improvements

Houses that sell quickly, for the most money, are houses that are in the best condition. Most buyers don't have the financial means, the time, or the inclination to renovate an outdated house. So listings that are in "move-in" condition tend to be in highest demand. These houses can sell well even in a depressed market. In a hot market, these houses often sell with multiple offers.

You should expect to pay a premium for a house that's in excellent condition, but you should avoid the temptation to overpay. Sellers will often try to justify a high price for a home they have put a lot of money into.

But in most cases, sellers can't

expect to recoup dollar for dollar on renovations they have made to the property. Generally, sellers will recoup less of their investment on recent renovations than they will on remodeling that was done several years ago. This is particularly the case if home prices in the area are stable.

Renovations that add the most value are remodeled kitchens and bathrooms. These can return from 75 to 100 percent of the investment at the time of sale. This is not a guaranteed return, however. How much a buyer will be willing to pay for a renovation will in part depend on how well the job was executed and the quality of the materials used. For example, buy-

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ers will pay more for granite or Corian kitchen counter tops than they will for Formica.

Another key element is how well the remodel integrates with the overall style of the house and the neighborhood. A remodel that

looks out of place can actually diminish the value of a property.

A third-bedroom addition to a house that only had two bedrooms will pay back well. So will the addition of a second bathroom to a house that only had one bathroom. But, a seller can't expect to recoup as much from the addition of a fifth bedroom to a four-bedroom house, or from adding a fourth bathroom to a house that had three.

Renovations that improve the indoor/outdoor living of a house usually have a high return value. This might include adding French doors and a deck off the kitchen of a house that has no direct yard access. Master bedroom suite

renovations and family room additions are also usually good investments.

A swimming pool or spa addition might return only half what it costs. Many buyers with small children don't want pools. Some buyers have been known to fill in a pool in order to create a larger, more usable, yard. In this case, a pool might be seen as a detriment, and value could actually be subtracted from a property for the cost of getting rid of the pool. A pool will have more value in hot climates than it will in cooler climates where it won't get much use.

How much you should pay for the seller's improvements is ulti-

mately determined by the value of the property and what similar properties in the neighborhood are selling for. Improvements might increase the value of a property, but the seller's cost of the improvements would be the case if the property is sold at a high-demand price.

In addition to making sure you're paying for a renovated property, make sure that you're getting the most money's worth for your investments. Ask for copies

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YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE OPEN HOMES

OAKLAND Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

- 5602 DENTON PL.**, Hillcrest Est 3bd/2+ba Contemporary Pacific Union, Sally Morrison 339-6460 **\$935,000**
- 6035 WOOD DR.**, Grand Tradition and Style, Restored to Perfection The GRUBB Company, Elizabeth Dickson 339-0400 **\$895,000**
- 6076 MAZUELA DR.**, New Listing! 4bd/3+ba, Secluded Location The GRUBB Company, Ed Kuo 339-0400 **\$890,000**
- 6632 LIGGETT**, 2 Homes/Double Lot, Gated 1/2 Acre; Motivated! Owner 339-0687 **OPEN SUNDAY 1-5** **\$859,000**
- 139 SHERIDAN RD.**, Upr Rockridge 4bd/3ba 3700 sq ft Villa Pacific Union, Sandi Klemmer 339-6460 **\$845,000**
- 6135 ACACIA AVE.**, New Constr, Just Listed 5bd/3+ba Med Coldwell Banker, Jim Duffy 339-1174 **\$825,000**
- 11925 SKYLINE BL.**, New Construction 5bd/3+ba w/Bay View Coldwell Banker, Judy Rankankan 339-1174 **\$789,000**
- 5981 GIRVIN DR.**, Pied Pines 4+bd/3b, Bldr will Consider Offer Better Homes, Harriett Schoen 531-2437 **\$750,000**
- 11905 SKYLINE BL.**, Top Quality 5bd/4ba New Constr, 2 Frpl Coldwell Banker, Judy Rankankan 339-1174 **\$729,000**
- 5920 ROSS ST.**, Formal Rms w/Inlaid Hdwd Flrs, Billiard Rm, 71/2 The GRUBB Company, S.W. Oakley/D. Grubb Jr. 339-0400 **\$699,000**
- 6341 WOOD DR.**, Montclair, Elegant 4bd/3+ba, Spac. Fam Room The GRUBB Company, Karen Starr 339-0400 **\$629,000**
- 3719 BRUNELL**, Oakland Hills 4+bd/3+ba New Constr, View! Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, M. Potmesil 869-4241 **\$599,000**
- 671 CARLSTON**, Crocker 4bd/3+ba, New Listing, Mstr Suite Pacific Union, Wyn Stephens 339-6460 **\$589,000**
- 264 SHERIDAN RD.**, Rockridge 5bd 4+ba, Addtl Rms w/Sep Entry Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, David Ichikawa 547-8978 **\$569,000**
- 708 GRIZZLY TER.**, Montclair 4bd 2+ba New Quality Traditional Pacific Union, Wendy Gardner 339-6460 **\$559,000**
- 923 MOUNTAIN**, Montclair 4bd/2+ba Brand New! Level Yard Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, David Ichikawa 547-8978 **\$559,000**
- 4809 PROCTOR**, Upr Rockridge 3bd/2+ba Quality Tudor Pacific Union, Dee Knowland 339-6460 **\$529,500**
- 9098 BROADWAY TER.**, Montclair New Listing, 3+bd/3+ba Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, B. Randall 869-4242 **\$519,500**
- 1060 HUBERT RD.**, Enchanting English Country Home, 3+bd/2+ba The GRUBB Company, Judy Cain 339-0400 **\$510,000**
- 2386 SCOUT RD.**, Private Creekside Setting 1+Ac, 4+1/2 The GRUBB Company, John Karnay 339-0400 **\$499,000**
- 2092 LEIMERT**, Oakmore 4bd/3ba, Best View! Elegant/Sunny Mason-McDuffie, M. Vasey 428-0900 **\$499,000**
- 7070 WESTMOORLAND**, 3bd/2+ba Fab New Constr, Elegant, Views Mason-McDuffie, M. Vasey 428-0900 **\$499,000**
- 5800 WESTOVER**, New Constr, Back on Mkt, Ayr 3bd/3+ba, 1/2Ac Wells & Bennett, Wendy Callaghan 839-9197 **\$499,000**
- 6121 WOOD DR.**, Fab Family Living! 4bd/2+ba, Landscaped The GRUBB Company, Mindy Scott 339-0400 **\$499,000**
- 270 CROSS RD.**, Upr Rockridge 4bd/2+ba, New, Custom Pacific Union, Teri Carlisle 339-6460 **\$498,000**
- 5 CLIPPER HILL**, Elegant New Hiller Twnhse, 3bd/3+ba, Views Wells & Bennett, Mary Neuberger 635-9103 **\$496,000**
- 6303 WOOD DR.**, New Listing! Bay View, 3bd/2+ba, Walk to Village The GRUBB Company 339-0400 **\$495,000**
- 5210 PROCTOR**, New Golden Gate View Hm, 4bd/2+ba, Lux. Mstr Wells & Bennett, Peter/Ellen Nicolopoulos 339-9780 **\$495,000**
- 3299 BRUNELL DR.**, J. Miller 5+bd/3+ba, 5/8 Acre, Vu, Make Offer Better Homes, D. C. Hodges 531-7667 **\$490,000**
- 140 FLORENCE**, Upr Rockridge 4bd/3+ba, Reduced! New Constr Better Homes, Nick Lavrov 339-8400 **\$489,500**
- 5779 BALMORAL DR.**, Hillcrest Hghlnds 5+bd/3+ba, Pool, Cabana Gooddeal Realty 465-2828 **\$480,000**
- 6330 PINEHAVEN**, Montclair 3+bd/2ba Newer Home Gallagher & Lindsey, Debbie 748-1806 **OPEN SUNDAY 2-5** **\$479,000**
- 17 BAY FOREST**, SF Views, Stunning New 3/2+ Contemporary Coldwell Banker, Darcy Diamantine 339-1174 **\$479,000**
- 272 SHERIDAN RD.**, Rockridge 4bd/2+ba New Constr, Dramatic Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Margaret Wade 273-9072 **\$469,000**
- 6020 CASTLE DR.**, Montclair Stunning 3bd/2+ba Contemp, Frpl Coldwell Banker, Nancy Dickey 339-1174 **\$469,000**
- 1864 GRANDVIEW**, Lovely 3bd/3ba Twnhse, SF Bay View Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammer 339-1174 **\$469,000**
- 5865 MARGARIDO**, 3/3+ Spanish Med, Claremont Pines Location Coldwell Banker, Donna DeBardi 339-1174 **\$450,000**
- 19 BAY FOREST**, Ridgtop Retreat, New Home 3bd/3+ba, Extras! Coldwell Banker, Ken MacDonald 339-1174 **\$449,000**
- 5617 LASALLE AVE.**, Remodeled Charming Home in Trees, 4/4+ The GRUBB Company, Elizabeth Dickson 339-0400 **\$449,000**
- 5700 GLENBROOK DR.**, 3bd/2+ba, Lg Rumpus w/Frpl, Lovely Gdn The GRUBB Company, Karen Starr 339-0400 **\$439,000**
- 6940 CHARING CROSS**, Quality, 3 Mstr Suites, Garden, Balcony Wells & Bennett, Marie Kenaga 339-1774 **\$439,000**
- 3230 ROBINSON DR.**, 3bd/2ba, Loft, SF/Bay View, Hot Tub! Peter Ralston 530 2990 **OPEN SUNDAY NOON-3:30** **\$437,000**
- 65 EASTWOOD CT.**, Montclair 3/3+, New Constr w/Flex Floor Plan Louis Stayer, Agent 638 0843 **OPEN SUNDAY 2-5** **\$437,000**
- 6814 LASALLE AV.**, New Listing! Montclair A-1 Condition, 3b/2+ba The GRUBB Company, Angela Wei Grubb 339-0400 **\$429,500**
- 6156 OCEAN VIEW**, Upr Rockridge 3+bd/2+ba, Best Buy! Better Homes, Jennie Lippincott 655-7137 **\$429,000**
- 26 MALL CT.**, Reduced! 4bd/3ba, Mstr w/Pvt Deck/Hot Tub The GRUBB Company, Kurt Buchholz 339-0400 **\$429,000**

- 6514 COLTON**, Montclair 3+bd/2+ba Trad, Fam Rm, 2 Frpl, View Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, James Garcia 869-4211 **\$425,000**
- 6166 MATHIUE AV.**, Upr Rckrdge 3/3 Sunny Med, Front/Back Patios Pacific Union, Patty Scott 339-6460 **\$425,000**
- 5871 MARGARIDO DR.**, Claremont Pines 2bd/1+ba, Updated Kit The GRUBB Company, Nancy Rothman 339-0400 **\$425,000**
- 2646 CAMINO LENADA**, New Listing, Adorable Colonial, 3bd/2+ba The GRUBB Company, Josephine O'Shaughnessy 339-0400 **\$422,000**
- 1601 MOUNTAIN BL.**, Level In/Level Out, 3bd/2+ba - Guest Cottage Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Cindy Fleming 287-8840 **\$415,000**
- 2991 HOLYROOD**, 5/3 Excellently Maintained, Nr Shops/Schools Wells & Bennett, Cheryl Elliott 638-7809 **\$399,900**
- 6401 BROOKSIDE**, Upr Rockridge Elegant New Constr 3bd/3+ba Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, E. Barber 869-4204 **\$399,000**
- 6125 ASPINWALL**, Morclair, Lovely 4+1/2 Fam Rms, 2-Car Gar Manhattan Real Estate, Lee Grebmier 444-5300 **\$399,000**
- 4340 TURNER AVE.**, Chabot Hghlnds 3/3 Extraordinary Custom Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, D. Pedro 482-0799 **\$395,900**
- 6657 HEARTWOOD DR.**, Mtclair 3/2, Lg LR/DR, Sep Studio w/Bath For Sale By Owner 339-3920 **OPEN SUNDAY 3-5** **\$392,500**
- 31 SCHOONER HILL**, Hiller 3/2+1+Den, SF View, \$35K Below Mkt For Sale By Owner 510-846-8776 **MLS OPEN SUNDAY 1-5** **\$389,500**
- 6401 ZINN**, Fab Tri Level, 4+bd/3ba, Cul-de-sac Coldwell Banker, Fritz Hochfeller 339-1174 **\$389,000**
- 975 GROSVENOR PL.**, Crocker Hghlnds 3/2+ English Beauty Better Homes, Julie Renalds 339-8400 **\$387,000**
- 1342 TRESTLE GLEN**, Crocker 4bd/2ba Decorator Perfect Tudor Pacific Union, Thomas Wurst 339-6460 **\$385,000**
- 601 HILLGIRT**, 4+bd/3ba English Tudor, Pool/All Amenities Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Sheila Sams 273-9412 **\$385,000**
- 834 MANDANA**, Crocker, Don't Miss This 3bd/2+ba Beauty! Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202 **\$379,000**
- 1200 HOLLYWOOD AV.**, Glenview 4/2+, Reduced \$20K, Fab Yard Pacific Union, Sandi Klemmer 339-6460 **\$379,000**
- 6132 JOHNSTON DR.**, Montclair 5bd/3+ba New Listing! Cul-de-sac Pacific Union, Roselle Woods 339-6460 **\$379,000**
- 4021 GREENWOOD**, 4bd/4ba Quality Craftsman, Crocker School Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Mark Miller 893-5030 **\$379,000**
- 21 TATE TERRACE**, Chabot Estates, 3/3, 3325 sf, 1/2 acre, Jacuzzi Sherry Davis 568-7955 **OPEN SATURDAY & SUNDAY 1-5** **\$375,000**
- 5 HAWKS HILL CT.**, Hiller, Lovely Upscale 2bd/2ba Townhome Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammer 339-1174 **\$370,000**
- 5310 LAWTON**, Rckrdge, Elegant 3+bd/1+ba Craftsman, Location! Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, James Garcia 869-4211 **\$369,000**
- 6523 ESTATES DR.**, Total Privacy, 3+bd, Hdws, Frpl, Rec Rm The GRUBB Company, Anian Tunney/Marcia Nebel 339-0400 **\$369,000**
- 3035 FRYE ST.**, Oakland Hills 4/3 Brand New, All Amenities Better Homes, Thom Bennett 531-0800 **\$368,000**
- 4243 FRUITVALE**, New Listing! 4bd/3+ba, Hdws, Fam Rm Wells & Bennett, Renee Bittman 339-1294 **\$365,000**
- 3760 LAKESHORE AVE.**, Classic Interior, Mstr w/Bath, AuPair The GRUBB Company, Anian Tunney 339-0400 **\$355,000**
- 4963 STONERIDGE CT.**, Ridgemont, Pristine 3bd/2+ba, New Listing Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Pamela Cornford 869-4213 **\$350,000**
- 636 LONGRIDGE**, Crocker, Stately 4bd/2ba Trad, Needs TLC Mason-McDuffie, Jim Resor 869-4243 **\$350,000**
- 1106 HOLLYWOOD AVE.**, w/Income Unit, Fab Views, Must See! The GRUBB Company, Helen Buty 339-0400 **\$350,000**
- 1795 ARROWHEAD**, Back on Market! 3bd, 2600sf, Ofc, Frml DR Ed Bell Realty 339-9398 **\$349,500**
- 84 STARVIEW**, Deco Perfect 3bd/2+ba Twnhse, Bay View, 2 Frpl Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammer 339-1174 **\$349,500**
- 3409 MONTEREY**, Spacious Cape Cod on 1/3 Lvl Acre, Home Ofc Wells & Bennett, Lisa Weil 531-1653 **\$349,000**
- 5660 BROADWAY TER.**, Upr Rockridge 4bd/2+ba Spl Lvl, Patio Pacific Union, Nancy Chew 339-6460 **\$349,000**
- 19 HILLCREST CT.**, Twnhse 3bd/3ba, Library w/Frpl, Pool Priv. The GRUBB Company, Karen Starr 339-0400 **\$349,000**
- 4950 STONERIDGE CT.**, New Listing! 4/3 Contemp/Lg Lot, Views Wells & Bennett, Chris Henneler 530-8412 **\$349,000**
- 6995 PASO ROBLES**, Remod 3+bd/2+ba, Gourmet Kit, InLaw Potent Wells & Bennett, Frank Henneler 654-6461 **\$349,000**
- 873 ROSEMOUNT**, Crocker 3bd/3ba, Reduced Again! Value! Better Homes, Rosemary Greene 289-9599 **\$349,000**
- 4954 STONERIDGE CT.**, 4/2+ w/View, Cul-de-sac, Reduced \$25K Ridgemont Realty, Jack Litzeltelner 452-0176 **\$345,000**
- 6952 BRISTOL DR.**, Value! 3bd/2ba, 3 Frpl, Decks Wells & Bennett, Mary Neuberger 635-9103 **\$339,000**
- 4938 STONERIDGE CT.**, Ridgemont 3+2+, New Listing, Family Rm Pacific Union, Robyn Mohr 339-6460 **\$339,000**
- 8135 SKYLINE**, Montclair 4/2+, Fam Rm, Frpl, Mstr Ste, Jacuzzi Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Dolores Thom 763-1710 **\$338,000**
- 6081 SNAKE RD.**, Montclair 4+bd/3+bd, Bay Views, Deck Pacific Union, Ann Nichols 339-6460 **\$329,000**
- 4946 STONERIDGE CT.**, Ridgemont 3/2+, Move In Condition! Pacific Union, Robyn Mohr 339-6460 **\$329,000**
- 5445 ESTATES DR.**, Move Right In, Sparkling Cottage 2/1+ The GRUBB Company, Josephine O'Shaughnessy 339-0400 **\$329,000**
- 3664 MONTEREY BL.**, Wonderful Prairie 3bd, Great Yard Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, N. Hunkley 482-0088 **\$324,000**
- 6577 LONGWALK DR.**, Montclair 3+bd/2+ba, Pied Pines, Patio Pacific Union, Ann Nichols 339-6460 **\$321,000**
- 5081 PARKRIDGE DR.**, 3bd/2ba Cape Cod, Lg Corner Lot Pacific Union, Vicki Woodhead 339-6460 **\$319,000**

- 6606 EVERGREEN AVE.**, Montclair 3+bd/2+ba, Reduced! Pacific Union, Joan Daniel 339-6460 **\$319,000**
- 4361 ABERFOIL**, Chabot Hghlnds Custom Ranch, 3+bd/2+ba Coldwell Banker, Ruth Lockhart 339-1174 **\$319,000**
- 6930 MERRIEWOOD**, Sunny 3bd/2+ba Hideaway, Hot Tub The GRUBB Company, Susanne Paul 339-0400 **\$319,000**
- 4330 TERRABELLA**, Redwd Hts, Almost Nu 3bd/2+ba w/Bay View Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Rex Thomas 869-4245 **\$319,000**
- 80 STARVIEW DR.**, Hiller, Just Listed! Bay View, 3bd/2+ba Coldwell Banker, Ollie Hammer 339-1174 **\$319,000**
- 49 HARBOUR CT.**, Upr Rckrdge 3bd/3ba on Quiet Cul-de-sac Better Homes, tom Nemeth 652-6537 **\$319,000**
- 3450 RUBIN DR.**, Joaquin Miller 4bd/3ba Country Living Better Homes, Lois Johnson 339-8400 **\$319,000**
- 4490 OAK HILL RD.**, Sequoyah Hills 3bd/3+ba, 2 Plus Rms, Lvl Pacific Union, Thomas Wurst 339-6460 **\$319,000**
- 6475 GIRVIN**, Montclair 3bd/2ba, Sweeping Canyon Views Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Carolyn Jones 841-5172 **\$319,000**
- 6802 CHAMBERS**, Montclair 4/3, New Listing! Spacious Ranch Pacific Union, Ann Nichols 339-6460 **\$319,000**
- 6967 COLTON BL.**, Montclair 3bd/1+ba, Reduced! Remod Kitchen Pacific Union, D. Costella 339-6460 **\$319,000**
- 5710 MORAGA AVE.**, Montclair 2bd/2ba, New Kit, Secluded/Trees Better Homes, Helen Nicholas 339-8400 **\$319,000**
- 5086 KEARNEY AVE.**, Woodminster 2+bd/2ba, Well Maintained Coldwell Banker, Nancy S. Welk 339-1174 **\$319,000**
- 8160 HANSON DR.**, Sequoyah Highlands 5+bd/3ba, Total Remod Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Joan Sams 869-4211 **\$319,000**
- 2941 BURDECK DR.**, 6bd/4ba Big House/Bigger Value! Level in Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Joan Alfaro 869-4200 **\$319,000**
- 5431 MASONIC**, Prime Rockridge Updated 2/1 Bungalow, Frpl Coldwell Banker, Vicky Faulk 339-1174 **\$319,000**
- 667 ARIMO AVE.**, Crocker Hghlnds 3bd/1b, Charm/Great Street, Better Homes, Jeff Hilgert 893-7545 **\$319,000**
- 2120 TIFIN**, 3bd/1+ba, Perfect Classic Med! New Kit, A-1 Cord! Better Homes, Rachel Baller 530-3860 **\$319,000**
- 3844 RANDOLPH AVE.**, Glenview 4bd/2+ba, Fam Room, Garden, Better Homes, Hal Castle 339-9778 **\$319,000**
- 5954-56 CLAREMONT AVE.**, Rockridge 3bd/3ba, Charming! Garden J. T. Ward Realtors, Ellen Soriano 845-6021 **\$319,000**
- 7595 HANSON DR.**, Sequoyah Hills 3bd/2ba, 1st Open, Bay View Better Homes, Carin Caroe 482-0813 **\$319,000**
- 1023 EVERETT**, Glenview, Spacious 3bd/1ba Trad, Parklike Yard Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, James Garcia 869-4211 **\$319,000**
- 590 KENWYN**, Outstanding Haddon Hill Home, Mod Kit, Mstr Suite Valva Realty, Michael Valva 451-7317 **OPEN SUNDAY 2-5** **\$319,000**
- 5000 MERRIEWOOD DR.**, Montclair 2+bd/3ba w/Sep Studio, Pool! Better Homes, Alice Wick 339-8400 **\$319,000**
- 7141 THORNHILL**, Montclair 3bd/2ba w/SF View, Great Buy! Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, Sharon Ho 869-4220 **\$319,000**
- 223 SANTA ROSA**, New Listing! 3bd/2+ba Entertainers Dream! The GRUBB Company, Debra Dryden 339-0400 **\$319,000**
- 3726 VICTOR AVE.**, Redwd Hts 3+bd/2ba, Sunny, Fam Rm, Frpl Pacific Union, Michelle Miller 339-6460 **\$319,000**
- 8134 COACH DR.**, Oakland Hills 4/2+, New Listing! Many Upgrades Pacific Union, G. Richardson 339-6460 **\$319,000**
- 6750 MANOR CREST**, Rockridge 3bd/1ba, New Listing, Spl Lvl Pacific Union, C. Ellinghaus 339-6460 **\$319,000**
- 5918 MARDEN LN.**, Priced to Sell! Montclair 3/2 Retreat Coldwell Banker, Dell M. Orr 339-1174 **\$319,000**
- 5140 LAWTON**, Not a Fixer! Remodeled 2bd/2ba, Move Right In! Coldwell Banker, Don Coelho 339-1174 **\$319,000**
- 339 WARWICK**, Lake Merritt 3+bd/2ba Exquisite Craftsman Mason-McDuffie, Usa Friedman 834-2010 **\$319,000**
- 2454 WILBUR**, Laurel, Big Beautiful 4bd/3ba, Move In Condition! Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, C. Boze 869-4203 **\$319,000**
- 4344 DETROIT**, Immaculate Redwd Hts Trad, Remod Kitchen Wells & Bennett, Kate Phillips 531-7000 **\$319,000**
- 1370 BARROWS RD.**, Crocker Nu Listing 3/1+ 2 story Trad Out! Rose Black RE 428-1766 **\$319,000**
- 6189 VALLEY VIEW**, 2+bd/1ba, \$20K Reduction! Gardens/Patio! Better Homes, Earle Shenk 287-9590 **\$319,000**
- 5 CLAREWOOD LN**, 2+bd/2+ba Creekside, O'Shaughnessy, Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Carolyn Jones 841-5172 **\$319,000**
- 5138 DESMOND RD.**, Spacious Craftsman Style 3bd/2ba, Frpl The GRUBB Company, Debra Dryden 339-0400 **\$319,000**
- 842-842A WALKER**, Grand Lake 2 Units, 2bd w/Frpl Upr, 1bd Down Owner 834-8768 **OPEN SUNDAY 11-4 & MONDAY 4:30-7** **\$319,000**
- 6522 RAYMOND**, No Oakland 3bd/2ba Craftsman, New Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Mavis Delacroix 658-6332 **\$319,000**
- 4620 REINHARDT DR.**, Vintage 40's Style, Top Condition! The GRUBB Company, Katherine Cooper 339-0400 **\$319,000**
- 370 EUCLID AVE.**, Adams Pt, 3bd/2ba, All Lvl, New Listing! Pacific Union, Kathy Flynn 339-6460 **\$319,000**
- 335 WARWICK**, English Cottage Style 3bd/2ba, Nice Yard Coldwell Banker, Donna Ranslem 339-1174 **\$319,000**
- 6660 HEARTWOOD DR.**, Deco Perfect Hdwd Flrs, Sunroom The GRUBB Company, Elizabeth Dickson 339-0400 **\$319,000**
- 1819 GOULDIN RD.**, Wonderful! Cape Cod 2 Mstr Suites, Updated The GRUBB Company, Karen Starr 339-0400 **\$319,000**
- 4320 GREGORY**, Redwd Hts Charming 3bd/1+ba Oak Flrs, Frpl Wells & Bennett, Katie Meadow 482-3576 **\$319,000**
- 846 ALMA PL.**, Glenview Great 3bd/1+ba Trad, Priced to Sell! Mason-McDuffie 339-8888, T. Fardella 869-4263 **\$319,000**

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permits and for copies of architectural plans and invoices, if available. These will come handy when the time comes for to sell.

Additions that were done without permits can cause problems. If the work was done by licensed contractors, you lender's might not give full value for improvements if they weren't with permits. If this happens the appraisal comes in lower than the purchase price, the lender will not approve the loan amount needed to complete the purchase.

In this case, you can ask the lender to obtain a permit for the remodel as a condition of removing

your financing contingency from the contract. It's usually possible to get a permit after the fact, although penalties might be charged and walls might have to be opened up so that the city inspector can confirm that the plumbing and electrical work was done correctly.

The best buys are usually remodeled houses where the sellers did a topnotch job for themselves, as opposed to rehabs completed by a developer. Contractors who buy a house to fix up and resell will add a profit margin to the sale price, and they often use cheaper materials.

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Project

Quick and easy outdoor rocker

By Don and Dave Runyan

Busy do-it-yourselfers will appreciate this quick and easy outdoor rocker project. Even amateurs will find that they can finish it in one or two summer afternoons.

The project requires only basic tools: a saw, drill, screw driver, wrench and sandpaper. Redwood is preferred because of its strength and durability outdoors, but other woods like fir, pine and oak also work well if properly treated.

The project uses only 10 different cuts and only 19 pieces in all. All of them are traced from full-size cutting patterns, so sizing them is simple: just trace the pieces onto wood, cut

them out, drill holes where shown, sand, and assemble with 26 wood screws and 12 nuts and bolts. Then apply paint, stain or whitewash.

The rocker sections are broad enough to keep the chair from sinking into soft grass, but an easy design change makes the chair stationary.

The Outdoor Rocker plan, No. 130, is \$6.50 and includes full-size traceable patterns, complete step-by-step directions with photos, and a shopping list and cutting schedule.

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HOWE ST, Pied Ave, 1st Open! spacious 2+bd Craftsman	\$229,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202	
GUIDO, Redwd Hts 2bd/1ba and Studio, Enchanting Property	\$229,000
McDuffie 834-2010, Lois Harris 287-2521 OPEN SUNDAY 1-6	
LEAMONT CT, Oak Hills 3bd/2ba, Price Reduced! A Beauty!	\$229,000
McDuffie 834-2010, Lois Harris 287-2521 OPEN SUNDAY 1-6	
EVERETT, 1st Open! Spac 2bd, Plus Rm, FDR, Bsmt, Frpl	\$229,000
McDuffie 339-9290, 2. Kelley 869-4259	
HADDON RD, Exciting 2+bd/1 1/2ba Gem on Great Street	\$229,000
McDuffie 428-0900, Sheila Sabine 273-9412	
DESMOND, Rockridge 3bd/2+ba, Cute Brown Shingle	\$225,000
McDuffie 428-0900, N. Moore/L. Gordon 653-5182	
WITH ST, N. Oakland Cute 2 Story 3bd/2ba Charming	\$225,000
McDuffie 339-9290, D. Kelley 869-4259	
ELSTON, Glenview 2bd/1 1/2ba, Hdwd Flrs, Deck, Fruit Trees	\$219,500
McDuffie 339-9290, Fiona MacIntyre 339-1174	
STAUFFER PL, Redwd Hts English Country Style 3+bd/2b	\$219,500
McDuffie 834-2010, Adrienne Nash 763-4060	
CANON AVE, Glenview, New 2bd, Creek, Frpl, Hardwoods	\$219,000
McDuffie 339-9290, 2. Kelley 869-4259	
CRALYN CT, Just Listed Immac 2 1/2 Twnh, Redwd Hts	\$212,000
McDuffie 339-9290, 2. Kelley 869-4259	
LYMAN RD, Oakmre, Just Listed 2+bd/1+, Lg Yd/Fruit Trees	\$209,000
McDuffie 428-0900, Nancy Lehnkand 466-5924	
ASPEN PL, Laurel 2bd/1ba Large Bungalow on Cul-de-sac	\$209,000
McDuffie 339-9290, B. Boze 869-4216	
HARBORVIEW, Up Laurel 3/2, Frpl, Rumpus Rm, Partial Vu	\$204,500
McDuffie 834-2010, Memo Loyola 287-2637	
BARLOW, Perfect! Just Move In, 2bd, Deep Lot, HotTub	\$204,000
McDuffie 339-9290, N. Davis 531-9536	
CALIFORNIA, Laurel, Wonderful 2+bd/1+ba, Move In Cond!	\$204,000
McDuffie 428-0900, M. Erickson 459-6254	
LAGUNA, Laurel Storybook 2bd/2ba Cottage, Roses Galore	\$199,000
McDuffie 339-9290, B. Boze 869-4216	
COOLIDGE, Laurel, Beautiful Spanish 2+bd/1ba, Grt Yard	\$197,000
McDuffie 339-9290, K. Crandall 869-4214	
DIAMONDAVE, 2bd, Updtd Bath, Bonus Rm, Wrkshp, Dk, Gdn	\$195,000
McDuffie 339-9290, 2. Kelley 869-4259	
WALLE VISTA, Grand Lake, Darling Secluded 2/1, Move In!	\$189,900
McDuffie 834-2010, John Bell 287-9856	
MADELINE ST, Laurel 3b/1b Refurbished, Move In! Lg Lot	\$189,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Thomas Wurst 339-6460	
LAGUNA VISTA, 3bd Remod CA Craftsman, New Paint In/Out	\$185,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Frank Hennefer 654-6461	
SHEFFIELD, 3bd	\$184,900
McDuffie 339-9290, Joe Cristobal 522-8388	
TOMPKINS, Up High 2bd/1ba, Bright Spacious Chamer	\$180,000
McDuffie 339-9290, A. Ng 869-4238	
SANTA CLARA, New 2bd/wb, 1450 sf, Solarium, 2 Pkg Spaces	\$179,950
McDuffie 339-9290, Carol Warren & Associates 652-4800	
SPATTERSON, Redwd Hts 2bd/1ba, Move In Condition, View	\$179,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Pat Dedekian 339-6460	
MATHER ST, Pied Ave 2bd/1ba, Box Beams, Lg Liv Room	\$179,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Joan Haus 339-6460	
LAGUNA, Laurel, New Listing! 2bd, Move Right In	\$179,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Claude Wilson 869-4222	
RAMPART ST, 2bd/1ba, New Listing, Remodeled Kitchen	\$179,000
McDuffie 428-0900, Cathy Moulton 273-9370	
CARBERRY, 2+bd/1ba, Idora Park, Mediterranean Gem	\$179,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Mike Harding 654-2669	
WESLEY AVE, Extra Lg 2bd/1ba, Great Home, Must See!	\$175,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Kim 763-7995 OPEN SUNDAY 1-3	
EVERETT AVE, Glenview 2b/1+ba Bright Condo, 4 Unit Bldg	\$170,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Kirk Phillips 339-6460	
MADERA AVE, Maxwell Pk 3+bd/1ba, 1st Open, New Kitchen	\$169,500
McDuffie 339-9290, Steven Biasetti 339-8400	
DAVIS ST, Fruitvale 2bd/1+ba, Move In! Cul-de-sac	\$165,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Joan Haus 339-6460	
28TH AVE, Redwd Hts 3bd/1ba, Updtd Kitchen, 1 Lvl Living	\$162,500
McDuffie 339-9290, Ruby Ng 339-1174	
SANTA CLARA, Brand New 1bd/1 1/2ba Condo, Views!!	\$155,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Carol Warren & Associates 652-4800	
LAUREL, Spacious 2bd/1b Med, 1st Open! Hdwd, AS IS	\$149,000
McDuffie 339-9290, M. Vasey 428-0900	
BROOKDALE, Maxwell Pk 2bd/1b Total Creampuff, Must See	\$149,000
McDuffie 339-9290, David Otero 869-4239	
33RD, 2bd/1ba Immaculate, FDR, Laundry Rm, Deck, Alarm	\$139,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Eunice Edwards 834-2010	
SANTA CLARA, Brand New 1bd/1 1/2ba + Study, 1150 sq. ft.	\$139,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Carol Warren & Associates 652-4800	
LAUREL, 2bd/1ba, Brand New Condo with Study	\$125,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Carol Warren & Associates 652-4800	
BIRDSALL, Maxwell Pk 2bd/1ba Super Buy! Grt Value/Charm	\$122,000
McDuffie 339-9290, Vickie Chan Case 339-8400	
BOSTON AVE, Fruitvale, Immaculate 2/1, Lg Fenced Yard	\$118,000
McDuffie 339-9290, 2. Kelley 869-4259	
PENNMAN AV, Laurel Lg 1b/1, Gourmet Kit, Wrkshp, Garage	\$110,000
McDuffie 339-9290, 2. Kelley 869-4259	

ALAMEDA Open Sunday

505 LAGUNARIA LN, Harbor Bay Isle 2bd/2 1/2ba, Grt Layout \$237,000
Better Homes, Maria/Randa 522-2669 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

ALBANY Open Sunday

848 SOLANO, Albany 5+bd/4ba \$369,000
Coldwell Banker, Kim Cleveland 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

971 CURTIS, Bright 3bd + Family Rm Across from Marin School \$270,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X134 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

BERKELEY Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

90 THE UPLANDS, Fab 4+3/4 Impeccable Fam Hm, Library, PlayRm \$850,000
J. T. Ward Realtors, Wendy Netick 845-6021

242 GRAVATT DR, \$ Reduced! New 4/3 1/2, Granite Kit, Billiard Rm \$715,000
Templeton Company, Marlene Leverett 548-0709 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

169 EL CAMINO REAL, Reduced! 4bd/2 1/2ba, Wonderful Value \$697,500
The GRUBB Company, Susanne Paul 339-0400

3111 DEAKIN, Restored 1910 3+bd/1 1/2 w/Solarium + New Cottage \$470,000
Loren Cole 540-5845 OPEN SUNDAY 1-5 OWNER FINANCING

464 BOYNTON AV, Creekside 4/3 1/2, Ofc/AuPair w/Sep Entry, Lvl In \$449,000
Michael Cohen Realty 524-4037 OPEN SATURDAY & SUNDAY 1-5

1947 YOSEMITE, Thousand Oaks, Architectural Classic, 4+bd/2 1/2 \$439,000
Eugene Millstein Real Estate Broker 527-8822 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

581 SANTA BARBARA RD, Gracious 3bd + study, 3ba, Lvl Garden \$429,000
Eugene Millstein RE Broker, Celia Concus 527-0211

2722 PRINCE, 3bd/2ba \$410,000
Coldwell Banker, Linda Gerson 486-1495

832 SHATTUCK, N. Berkeley View Home, 4bd/2ba \$384,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X174 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

2027 LOS ANGELES, 4bd/1+ba, 20's Grandeur! Bay Views \$369,000
Pacific Union, Joanna Gould 339-6460

1138 KEITH AVE, 3+bd/2b, Huge Deck, Serene, Glorious Views \$364,000
Templeton Company, Gini Erck 658-6247

1090 CRESTON, New Listing! No Berk 3/1 + InLaw, 1 Lvl, Views \$325,000
J. T. Ward Realtors, Nancy Platford 845-6021

1533 BEVERLY PL, New Listing! No Berk 3/1 + InLaw, 1 Lvl, Views \$287,500
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X185 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1404 OXFORD ST, Sunny 3+2 No Berk Bungalow, Poss InLaw, Dk \$279,500
Templeton Company, Mary Montali 848-3097 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1479 LINCOLN, Berkeley 2bd/1+ba \$267,000
Coldwell Banker, Karen Brand 486-1495

73 ALAMO, 3bd/2ba \$260,000
Coldwell Banker, Neil Mishalov 486-1495

2362 MARIN AVE, A True Delight! Frml DR, Fireplace \$255,000
Pacific Union, Rich Gould 339-6460

1503 POSEN, 2+bd/1ba \$251,500
Coldwell Banker, Mona Thompson 486-1495

1355 CAMPUS DR, Berkeley 2/1 \$249,000
Coldwell Banker, Tricia Swift 486-1495

1317 PERALTA, 2bd/1ba \$242,000
Coldwell Banker, Heidi Long 486-1495

910 CRAGMONT, 3bd Spanish Style +In-law, Pano View \$239,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X104 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

2306 HOWE ST, 1st Open! 2b/1b, Remodeled, Gumwd, Hdwd Flrs \$229,000
College Avenue Realty, Steve Dopkin 845-8008

2228 CALIFORNIA ST, New Listing! Charming 3b/1 1/2 Bungalow \$225,000
Templeton Company, Melitta Beeson 652-2133 X134

2420 GRANT, 2bd/2ba \$197,500
Coldwell Banker, Melissa Eizenberg 339-6460

1537 ADDISON, 2bd/1ba \$196,000
Coldwell Banker, Nancy Reichert 486-1495

2238 CALIFORNIA ST, 2/1 Centrally Located Craftsman, Frpl \$189,500
Thornwall Properties, Kathryn Hill 848-1950 X242 SUNDAY 2-4

2827 CHERRY ST, Tiny Elmwood 2/1, As Is, Needs TLC, Grt Loc! \$185,000
J. T. Ward Realtors, Fred Mitchell 845-6021

1717 LA LOMA #2, Reduced! 2bd No. Berkeley Penthouse \$179,000
Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X131 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1208 ROSE, 2bd/1ba \$160,000
Coldwell Banker, Sally Hendrickson 486-1495

1740 9TH ST, Just Listed Sunny 2bd Spl Lvl Bungalow \$149,000
Thornwall Properties, Kathryn Hill 848-1950 X242 SUNDAY 2-4

2110 7TH ST, 1bd Victorian Dolhouse Fixer, Lg Lot, FDR, So Cute \$139,000
Marvin Gardens, Alice McLeish 526-1101 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

1534 ASHBY, 2bd/1ba Great Craftsman, Price Reduced \$139,000
Mason-McDuffie, Henette Green 834-2010

EL CERRITO Open Sunday

6730 KENILWORTH AVE, 4+bd/3ba, Just Listed! Best Location \$320,000
Thornwall Properties, Kathryn Hill 848-1950 X242 SUNDAY 2-4

832 RICHMOND, El Cerrito 3/2 \$285,000
Coldwell Banker, Jane Ishibashi 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

7828 EUREKA, El Cerrito 3bd/1ba \$225,000
Coldwell Banker, Diana Kay 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

1108 NAVILLIER AVE, \$ Reduced! 3bd/2ba w/Sunny Yard \$216,000
Templeton Company, Ron Eggherman 652-2133 X127 SUNDAY 2-4:30

1022 LIBERTY, El Cerrito 3bd/1ba \$179,000
Coldwell Banker, Candace Hyde-Wang 486-1495 SUNDAY 2-4:30

EL SOBRANTE Open Sunday

3329 BRENTWOOD, El Sobrante 5bd/3ba \$259,500
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4623 CANYON RD, 4+bd/2ba \$192,000
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KENSINGTON Open Sunday

255 AMHERST, Kensington 3bd/2ba \$339,000
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253 PURDUE AVE, 2+bd/1ba, Plus Rm Ideal for Ofc, Great Yd \$279,000
Pacific Union, Rich Gould 339-6460 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

MORAGA Open Sunday

130 FILEEN CT, 5bd/2 1/2ba, Fab Views! Walk to Schools K-9 \$439,000
Mason-McDuffie, Art Lehman 952-3330 OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4:30

PIEDMONT Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

346 EL CERRITO AVE, Elegant Gardens, 5bd/3 1/2ba, Views \$1,250,000
The GRUBB Company, Jeanette Roach 339-0400

265 SEA VIEW, 5bd/3ba New Listing! Arch. Detail, Rumpus \$1,150,000
Pacific Union, Georgia Cornell 339-6460

136 HAZEL LANE, 4bd/4+ba Superb English, Spacious/Charm \$1,045,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Faye Magee 547-5827

340 LASALLE AVE, Frml Entry, Elegant Living, 5+bd/3 1/2ba \$949,500
The GRUBB Company, Jean Simmons 339-0400

110 SEA VIEW AVE, Ideal 5+bd/3ba, Compare w/Rest of Market \$899,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Carole Berger 655-6571

104 DUDLEY AVE, Spacious Gracious 4bd/3 1/2ba, Gardens, Views \$875,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Nancy Lehnkand 466-5924

58 WILDWOOD GARDENS, Lovely Trad, Spacious Rms, Gardens \$869,500
Pacific Union, Connie Rogers 339-6460

256 LASALLE AVE, Lovely 4+bd/3ba, \$ Slashed! Library, View \$829,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Lois Hayden 547-4579

111 ESTATES DR, Gorgeous/Dramatic, Gracious Lvng, Frml DR \$795,000
The GRUBB Company, Sheila Gallagher 339-0400

42 HIGHLAND, Super Family Home, 4+bd/3 1/2ba, Fam Rm, Ofc \$775,000
The GRUBB Company, Karen Starr 339-0400

132 CAPERTON AVE, Garden w/Sports Court, 4bd/3ba, Den \$775,000
The GRUBB Company, Marion Schwartz 339-0400

7 PACIFIC AVE, 4+bd, Country Kitchen, Sep Guest House \$745,000
The GRUBB Company, Sandra Vogl 339-0400

25 TYSON CIRCLE, 4+bd/2 1/2ba, Gracious Mstr Suite, Pvt Deck \$739,500
The GRUBB Company, Donald Grubb Jr. 339-0400

125 RICARDO AVE, 3+bd/2 1/2ba, City Farm w/2 Adjacent Lots \$639,000
Better Homes, Harry Kress 531-2140

24 GREENBANK, 3+2 1/2 Charming Shingle, Fam Rm, Den, Yard \$599,500
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424 SCENIC AVE, Old World Charm, Frml Living/Stone Frpl \$589,000
The GRUBB Company, Linda McClain 339-0400

4440 EL CERRITO AVE, Great Condition! 4bd/2 1/2ba, Rumpus, Gdn \$564,000
The GRUBB Company, Angela Wei Grubb 339-0400

343 MAGNOLIA AVE, Elegant/Formal Lvl/Din, 4bd/4ba \$549,500
The GRUBB Company, Marcia Nebel/Donald Grubb Jr. 339-0400

229 CARMEL AVE, 3bd/2+ba, Come See! \$549,000
Mason-McDuffie, Marynell Stone 428-0900

426 PALA, 3bd/2ba, A Room w/Many Views!! Must See \$499,900
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215 SAN CARLOS, 3+bd/1+ba 1910 Craftsman \$450,000
Mason-McDuffie, Elizabeth Belle 428-0900

39 YORK DR, New Listing! 2+bd/1ba, Tree Lined St, Lvl Yd \$437,500
Pacific Union, Francis Heath 339-6460

289 ST JAMES DR, 3+bd/3ba, Rumpus, 2 Frpl, Level In Home \$415,000
The GRUBB Company, Marion Schwartz 339-0400

202 LINDA AVE, Charming! Classic Features! 3bd/1+ba \$379,000
Coldwell Banker, Adriana Giacomelli 339-1174

1067 RANLEIGH WAY, Dramatically Reduced! 3bd/2ba, Move In \$366,000
The GRUBB Company, Katherine Cooper 339-0400

1620 GRAND AVE, Valued! Spacious Contemporary 3+bd/2 1/2ba \$339,000
The GRUBB Company, Sheri Wilson Oakley 339-0400

206 SUNNYSIDE AVE, 1st Open, Attractive 3+bd/3ba Trilevel \$299,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Maddy Hickling 655-6896

134 EL CERRITO, 2bd/1ba Chenshed Tranquil Bungalow \$295,000
Mason-McDuffie 428-0900

910 KINGSTON, 2+bd/1ba Craftsman Gem w/Great Yd \$289,000
Mason-McDuffie, Rob Au/Stephanie Sierra 428-0900

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1787 RALSTON, Richmond View 2bd/2ba, Pano View, Family Rm \$169,000
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and the design professional?

A good way is to determine a cost, possibly using a percentage of the projected cost of construction, establish that as a not-to-exceed figure and for the professional to bill on an hourly basis for the work done on the client's behalf.

This approach gives the client a clear idea of what the maximum costs would be and it gives the

design professional the ability to be paid for the work they invest in the project on behalf of the client.

What if the cost of the actual work expended exceeds the not-to-exceed figure? What happens then? One likely scenario is the design professional gets paid nothing more than the original figure. Another solution might be to have a discussion that allowed both parties to hear the other's perspective and reach a mutually agreeable resolution. That resolution might be that the client and the design professional split the

difference between the actual costs and the not-to-exceed figure.

This raises a good point. What if you and the design professional cannot agree about something? You just can't seem to work it out together. Your agreement needs to address dispute resolution. A tiered process, using, in this order, mediation and arbitration or

litigation, is one way to anticipate this need. Both parties typically can see no reason why there could be any problem, but you never know.

So we have suggested that scope of work, length of the job, cost of the work and dispute resolution are the most important issues to cover in an agreement be-

tween yourself and a design professional. It is important that everyone involved in the business relationship be clear about what will be done before the events take place. Use the review of the agreement, just prior to signing, as a good time to talk about the different assumptions you are each bringing to the relationship.

In the meantime, thank you and good luck!

Next month let's talk about what goes into an agreement with a general contractor.

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1821 OTIS DR. - LAGOON VISTA FROM A 3 BEDROOM RANCH. Open space except for the many closets, oversized garage, all on a large lot. Les Dronick, 748-1759

OPEN SUN 2-4 PM
2621 CENTRAL AVE. - LOTS OF CHARM, LOTS OF NATURAL WOOD. 2 bedrooms with room for a 3rd. New kitchen, formal living & dining room. Hardwood floors, fireplace, deck & spa, 2 car garage. Signe Nelson, 748-1772

OPEN SUN 2-4 PM
2515 CENTRAL AVE. #104 - GREAT LOCATION! CONVENIENT TO EVERYTHING! 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms in security building with elevator & laundry facilities. unit washer & dryer. All appliances included. balcony just painted. Alice Garvin, 748-1763

OPEN SAT 12-2 PM
1116 CHESTNUT STREET - "FIRST TIME HELD OPEN". Price reduced to \$169,500 on this fixer upper. Great opportunity for first time buyers. At this price it won't last long, so make your move now. Bill Bissett, 748-1777

OPEN SAT 2-4 PM
2022 HIGH ST. #8 - HUGE PRICE REDUCTION. SELLER MOTIVATED. Don't just drive by, stop in! Enjoy the leisure life of this lovely 2 bedroom, 1 bath east end charmer with your own deep water dock. Also, seller may carry the loan. Romaine Stier, 748-1754

OPEN SUN 2-4 PM
1619 FIFTH ST. - BRIGHT & SUNNY! 2 bedroom, 1 bath California Bungalow. Freshly painted inside, new kitchen countertops, new linoleum in kitchen & bathroom. Hardwood floors in living room, dining room with built in hutch. Denise Bowes-Garvin, 748-1774

OPEN SUN 2-4 PM
1529 EASTSHORE DR. - CONTEMPORARY EASTSHORE AREA HOME. New carpets & modern kitchen. Split level & double garage, large family room with bath or could be 3rd bedroom. Small low maintenance yard. Rave Thierman, 748-1771

OPEN SUN 2-4 PM
2827 CENTRAL AVE. - GREAT FAMILY HOME! IN EAST END. Fantastic floor plan, new kitchen & everything, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, all hardwood floors, deck off kitchen. Bill Bissett, 748-1777

OPEN SAT 2-4 PM
1410 HOOVER COURT - A CUL-DE-SAC 2 BEDROOM COTTAGE. Yard large enough for private space, plus a garage with work area. Les Dronick, 748-1759

OPEN SUN 1-3 PM
2035 OTIS DR. #B - \$135,000! Kitchen features new tile counter top, new custom cabinets, new hood/fan, new range/stove, new floor. Bright upper end unit with skylights in kitchen & bathroom. 3 year new Berber carpeting. You'll love this one! Rich Lai, 748-1808

OPEN SUN 2-4 PM
933 SHORELINE DR. #306 - FABULOUS BAY VIEW. 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1 car garage, 1 level. Over 1300 sqft. BIG PRICE REDUCTION. Margaret Winkler, 748-1758

OPEN SUN 2-4 PM
339 BROADWAY #203 - PRICE REDUCED ON THIS CONDO WITH A VIEW. 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, hardwood floors, large balcony 3 sizable storage areas. Near South Shore hiking paths. Patt McCauley, 748-1764

OPEN SUN 2-4 PM
1636 - 37TH AVE. OAKLAND - IN OAKLAND! TO SPARE in this totally remodeled home. 2 bedrooms, 2 baths. Cherie Fager, 748-1763

OPEN SAT 2-4 PM
1825 SHORELINE DR. #105 - PRIVATE & SECURE REAR UNIT JUST STEPS FROM BEACH. 1 bedroom condo, 2 patios, view of pool area, 1 car garage next to unit. Seller anxious, possible new carpet allowance. Signe Nelson, 748-1772

OPEN SUN 2-4 PM
955 SHOREPOINT CT. #114 - THE BEST OF ALL WORLDS! Superior location within a superior complex (The Shores)! This bright & cheerful 1 bedroom, 1 bath quality unit is ready to move into and at the lowest asking price available (\$88,500). If you see it, you'll buy it! Tom Holstlaw, 748-1773

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1176 OLD ALAMEDA POINT - LIGHTHOUSE COVE! NEW! Bonita model 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, vaulted ceilings, family room, fireplace, fenced yard, parquet entry. Great location, good schools \$274,500. Juanita Daun, 748-1760

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1012 BROADWAY - PRISTINE BUNGALOW IN EAST END. Perfect for first time buyers. 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, live, secluded back yard. Evelyn Kennedy, 748-1770

OPEN SUN 2-4:30 PM
2509 OTIS DR. - GOOD STARTER HOME! IN EAST END. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, large back yard with in place. Large neat back yard with in place. Wonderful 1st floor perfect for children & entertaining. \$149,000. 748-1806

OPEN SAT 2-4 PM
1311 WAYNE CT (OFF ENCINAL NEAR BROADWAY). - PRICE JUST REDUCED! Beautifully maintained 2+ bedroom home. Fully re-done including carpets, plumbing & wiring. New roof & gutters. Termite & sewer lateral completed. Dorothy Franchi, 748-1786

OPEN SUN 2-4 PM
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6330 PINEHAVEN RD. OAKLAND - PRICE REDUCED! Sunny & spacious Monterey home in wooded setting. Wonderful 1st floor, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms perfect for children & entertaining. \$149,000. 748-1806

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402 Independent Employment

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Challenge to African American

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I am an adult African American male clergy who for numerous years has been involved in community work throughout the county, and have sincerely tried to help make a difference. I feel an urgency within my spirit to strongly appeal to the conscience and heart of the "African American community" countywide to come together, to work together to change the present "path of destruction" that so many of our people are now traveling.

The devastating statistics outlining the heart-wrenching present "plight of the African American community" is by any reasonable standard and by any reasonable person "totally unacceptable."

Almost without exception in every aspect of statistical data from county, state and federal

governments outlining the overall health, safety and economical welfare of our community, African Americans are historically at the lowest negative levels.

According to the 1990 census, Contra Costa County's population is comprised of 69.7 percent white, 9.1 percent black, 11.4 percent Hispanic, 4.6 percent Asian and Pacific Islander, and 4.8 percent other.

9.1 percent black, 11.4 percent Hispanic, Asian and Pacific Islander 9.2 percent, American Indian, Eskimo and Aleut .6

percent, other .2 percent.

According to a July 15, 1992, report titled, The HIV/AIDS Epidemic among African-American Injection Drug Users of Contra Costa County, Mark Finucane,

Director of the Contra Costa County Health Services Department, states that approximately one in three African American drug injectors in Contra Costa are now infected with HIV. African American drug injectors entering treatment are *18 times* more likely to be HIV-infected than white drug injectors entering treatment in Contra Costa.

HIV is spreading rapidly among inner-city African American drug users and also potentially to their sexual partners. According to the April 1995 Contra Costa County HIV-AIDS Epidemiology Report, an accumulative total of 1,546 cases of AIDS were reported to the Health Services Department, and of

Billions of tax dollars spent over the last 40 years intended social programs supposedly developed to alleviate the problems of cities. Yet, the African American community remains in turmoil, and in many ways the plight of the black is worse. Tax dollars should resolve the problems that come that African Americans become more actions and lifestyles.

The African American has historically been the of the black community once again take a leadership within our We are all in this together.

that total 410 were African American. An alarming 58 percent of all children diagnosed with AIDS in Contra Costa are African American.

A comprehensive needle exchange program run by the county Health Services Department in conjunction with an educational and recovery program could help to decrease new cases of HIV-AIDS among drug injectors and their sexual partners. Needle exchange is no panacea, but it is an effective tool which helps to keep drug users

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Good night's sleep rests on bedding design

Berkeley Design Shop owner adopts European expertise

By Dawn Frasier

Most Americans can't take advantage of research illustrating the benefits of European bed construction. Mattresses and supports built on that proven model just aren't available in this country.

At the Berkeley Design Shop, however, owner Mike Lavin has made the benefits of that research available to local residents looking for a good night's sleep. It's a service he believes is unique in the U.S.

"It's unbelievable," says Mike. "You can hardly buy any other bed in Germany, and you can't buy any bed like it here."

"A lot of new research has been incorporated into the manufacture of mattresses," says Mike, who points to four specific design areas that can be engineered to produce more comfortable, healthful sleep.

The first has to do with the concept of "zoning," in which firmness is adjusted to different areas of the mattress owner's body.

Flexible slats that can be moved are used to fit the needs of each individual. The highly body-sensitive, adjustable slats are usually birch.

"They have a little bow in them and basically last for 30 years," says Mike. "Probably 80 percent of Germans buy mattresses with zoning capability built in."

Mike compares not having such a bed to not having a TV—it's rather primitive. "The zoning system is the standard in Europe," he says. "A smart shopper would be hard pressed to buy any other kind of bed." The bottom line is that the European system isn't just "built." Instead it's engineered, with the goal of providing a good night's sleep for years to come.

As many satisfied customers know, the Berkeley Design Shop has been building zoned beds for a number of years.

The second design area to be addressed has to do with pressure.

"If a bed has excess pressure, it can cause you to twist and turn and be uncomfortable all night long," says Mike. While that's something you might not even notice every night, over time it contributes to a lot of fatigue.

The Berkeley Design Shop uses the most advanced German

computers to measure pressure exerted by a mattress on its owner.

"What counts isn't the softness or hardness of the mattress but whether it's appropriate to your body," he says. "The 'one-size-fits-all' concept doesn't work. Wherever there's excess pressure, blood circulation shuts off, causing pain sensations."

Even if the industry were included to apply rigorous standards looking for "low pressure" mattresses, "offering 10 different choices wouldn't be enough," he says.

Why settle, when the European engineering system has solved the problem and is available for little more than a quality American mattress?

Use of natural rubber is the third important design element in the construction of the shop's mattresses.

"Natural rubber cushioning far outperforms synthetics," says Mike. "Since pure latex is not made in the United States, we get ours from New Zealand."

The latex has a life expectancy of 20 years or more.

Mike finds the fourth design element, arising from German research, "radically interesting."

"It shows that if air circulation in your mattress is poor, so that heat builds up and moisture retention is high (as is typical when using polyurethane), the accumulation of heat and moisture can raise skin temperature, increase heartbeat and significantly decrease the quality of sleep."

Those negative factors increase with the individual's age, he says.

The shop engineers its mattresses with that research in mind, creating air pockets, using the latex rubber with its built-in air vents and making other adjustments to meet the same goal.

Mike started in the waterbed business 25 years ago. Ever since, he's been building alternative mattresses, "always trying to build a better



Mike Lavin of Berkeley Design Shop designs a mattress on his computer.

mousetrap."

In the process, he started building zoned mattresses providing better spinal alignment for people with neck problems. He obtained a research computer and began to travel Europe in order to study the quality performance of those bed systems.

Now he's become an expert in their manufacture.

So why isn't anyone else offering such sleeping systems to the American consumer?

"It takes a lot of work to make everything fit," says Mike. "You can't just import a bed from Germany; our standard sheet sizes wouldn't fit it."

"We bring in our latex from New Zealand, the slat system from France, the top materials from Belgium, the components from Germany. All those components and systems then have to be manufactured in the United States in order to provide affordable prices and to fit with American sizes."

"It's quite a bit of work."

Though Mike could very likely extend his unique business into a much wider geographic area, he prefers servicing a local market.

"We're what we've always been," he says. "A Berkeley design shop."

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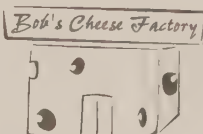


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own Frasier

How would you like to enjoy the delicious taste of fresh, home-grown vegetables and tomatoes year-round? Though California gardeners are blessed with extended growing seasons, it takes a little help to grow much of a crop in the dead of winter, especially with heavy rains taking toll on all kinds of growing

For 20 years, Gary Gerber and Shaw have devoted themselves to using the power of the sun to enhance the quality of life in a number of different ways. About 10 years ago, they realized that greenhouses fit right into their goals of working with nature and its elements.

They founded Berkeley-based Sun Light & Power Co. in 1975. "We started strictly with solar energy projects," says Gary, who is a mechanical engineer. "Since 1978, we branched off into solar uses — first strictly sunrooms, passive heating systems that double as living

We really pioneered the use of sunrooms in the Bay Area back in the 1970s. Our first project of any note was a converted commercial greenhouse we turned into a dining room off a kitchen in Piedmont. It was pretty innovative at the time and made the cover of *Better Homes and Gardens* and an article in *Sunset Magazine*.

Now we handle everything from a little growing room for herbs to a quality sunroom.

Our emphasis is on living with

the earth," says Gary. "Growing your own plants, using the sun's energy, fits right in. That's why we got involved with greenhouses."

The greenhouses available at Sun Light & Power are primarily factory built products that come in kit form. The company sells them as kits or can construct and install them. Both lean-to and free-standing models are available.

Local residents have a number

of different goals when buying greenhouses, according to Gary.

There are a number of orchidists in the area who need them to house their plants during the winter. In addition, he said, "a lot of customers are so involved in plants, they've outgrown their available spaces."

Many wish to grow tomatoes and other plants year round. Still others find that choosing a lean-to type greenhouse that attaches

directly to their home is a wonderful way to bring a bit of the outdoors in. The unit ends up functioning as something of a sunroom.

"One important benefit of the lean-to is the bringing of the air's freshness into the home. Since plants produce oxygen, many choose to open the greenhouse up into the house — changing a window into a door, for example.

"If located properly — on the

south side of the house, that can actually help to heat the home. You open the door during the day and bring in the winter warmth or, as an alternative, you can leave the door open all the time to allow the heat of the house to warm particularly fragile plants.

"If you do opt to open up the house as part of the project, it can even bring more light into your house."

The larger greenhouses, Gary

says, can be used as multi-use spaces.

"A lot of people will make them large enough to add a small table and chairs. It's a great place to have coffee in the morning; they warm up so quickly," he said. "It makes a really different space — the kind of indoor/outdoor space you really don't find anywhere else (except in a sunroom)."

Having a greenhouse this past year would have made a big difference, says Gary.

"With a greenhouse, you can enjoy your vegetables, flowers and other plants year round. You're not mucking around in dirt all winter or working in the rain, and you can germinate seeds in preparation for warmer weather."

Pests, too, are much easier to control.

Greenhouse gardening can be as simple or as complex as you like.

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Gary and Rod invite you to visit their showroom at 1035 Folger Ave., where they have a greenhouse and solariums on display. A variety of greenhouses are available, from an aluminum-framed version that would work well as a lean-to patio enclosure to a top-of-the-line redwood-framed freestanding model. Solar options are available.

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At Pelago discover a cache of unique, delightful gifts

By Dawn Fraslaur

Business has been good at Pelago. So good that Bill Fidrych and Mark Wallaert have signed a new lease to keep offering wonderful, unique gifts through their Montclair shop.

"We had originally come to Montclair with a 1-1/2 year lease; you want to see how things go," says Bill. "We've discovered that once people find us, they continue to come back and support us."

"They're also often saying to us, 'Promise you won't leave.'"

If there has been one problem for the shop, it's been making that initial contact with new customers.

"We're a bit off the main street on Medau Place," says Bill. "Foot traffic at that end of the village has really helped us, though."

So has word-of-mouth, since customers tend to love the shop at first sight and come back again and again. Bill's also quick to note that "it's only hard to find the first time."

When you do walk into Pelago that first time, you'll find a wide range of items at a wide range of prices. If you haven't been in the shop recently, you'll find that with a new lease, the partners have done some major renovation in order to add more space to the shop, including an expanded display area.

"That's really helped us to be able to offer Montclair unique gifts at unique prices," says Bill.

The pricing can actually take people by surprise.

"People say they were afraid to come in because they thought everything would be too expensive," he says. "Once they do, they tell us how pleased they are that our pricing



Pelago, in Montclair, is full of delightful items, many locally made.

is so good."

Currently, Bill and Mark are working to expand their lines, offering a number of new items.

"Most of our customers do come in on a regular basis," Bill says. "We try to add something new every other day. Even if our customers come in every Saturday after picking up their dry cleaning in the village, they end up saying, 'Wow, you have

a lot of new things in.'"

"We want to make it new and exciting every time they walk in the door."

Originally, Bill and Mark had a wholesale business, importing from several different places around the world.

"I had been in another field, corporate marketing, in Florida," Bill says. "We took two years off and travelled around the world — to Indonesia, Guam, Mexico, India, Turkey, Europe, Africa. We came back with a lot of stuff for ourselves."

'We're actually finding a lot of talented artists right here...'

—BILL FIDRYCH

The partners also came back with contacts and a new wholesaling business. That end of their business is being phased out, however, as they're concentrating more on retail and becoming increasingly interested in working with local artists.

"There are so many talented artists right here in the Bay Area," says Bill. "We're actually finding a lot of talented artists right here in Montclair."

The handpainted olive oil bottles by Montclair artist Lisa Ryman (who will soon open a studio in the village) are a good example, he says. They've become a best seller at Pelago.

Handblown vases by another Oakland artist and ceramics by Jamie Townsend, formerly of Montclair, are also extremely popular offerings.

"Now that we have a store, a lot of the artists come to me," he says. "They seem to like our store and to put their merchandise in it."

That's contributed to a wonderful variety of gift items.

"When we first opened, we offered a lot of furniture pieces along with accessories. With a small space, however, we realized we couldn't show the furniture pieces as well as we liked."

"We still have some pieces — tables, consoles, but now we're trying to bring in more of the interesting items and accents."

"A lot of our regular customers like us for that. They know they can come in and find an expensive, special wedding gift for a close family member or a small, unique hostess gift."

"We really do work to offer a wide price range of items and to carry 'staples' on a regular basis — more commonplace things like scented candles and handmade cards

(some by a local artist, for example)."

Pelago's also carries shower gels, including a line from Terra Nova as well as Bill and Mark's own line of smaller gifts.

One of Bill's own store items.

"We bring in the old wooden boxes from the Philippines," he says. "They're beautiful, but they're not going to last."

In order to make a little more fun out of them, we put them on stands of endtable height."

"People are always saying, 'I'm also a ceramic artist to do candlesticks. They're elegant design that's attractive.'"

The design is Bill pursuing the same elegance in designing wrought iron console and dining tables.

"We're trying to offer things you'd find in another store," he says.

Bill also uses his design to carefully and artfully displays so that even Customers recognize his efforts.

They comment on the gallery-like displays; the arrangements help how individual items are matched in decorating homes.

"The response has been wonderful," says Bill. "You visit the shop and see the shop's unique mix of contemporary gifts."



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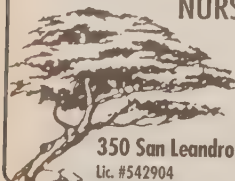
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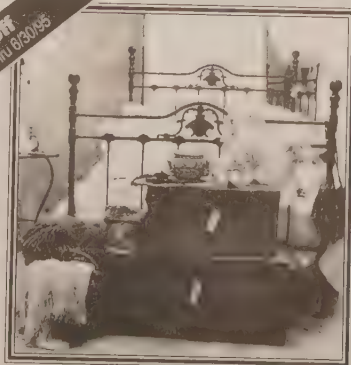
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"We've never been involved in something like this," she said. "For Finer Things, it's just such a thrill to be involved in that kind of an association. It suddenly puts you on the A list."

It's a place she deserves to be. "Most of the premier artists, vendors and true Americana stores and galleries are east of the Mississippi," she said. "Precious few people do true Americana on the West Coast."

Finer Things is a wonderful resource for local residents, who can find the full range of furnishings needed to complete their dream Americana homes.

"If someone is looking to remodel, recreate or design a true Americana home, they can get as pure as they want and find the resources here, from the floorboards to pewters and all the fabric and furnishings in between," says Tonimari.

The Finer Things shop includes both reproduction Americana and antique furniture, featuring curly

maple and cherry Williamsburg furniture, as well as primitive pine and painted pieces. Tonimari offers pewter pieces made from antique molds, the work of artists who produce handpainted Rufus Porter murals and antique quilts.

The main orientation of Finer Things, on the other hand, is its interior design service. Interestingly, Tonimari says that only about 25 percent of her design customers are working on an Americana look. For 14 years, she's been helping both residential and commercial clients in Piedmont and Montclair to accomplish a variety of design goals.

"I do primarily residential but also some commercial work, from complete renovations and working with architects to assisting people who want to arrange, rearrange or accent their furniture," says Tonimari, who has also incorporated the use of a computer (for floor plan printouts, for example) into her work.

Her love for Americana, however, is shared by a growing number of clients and customers.

"The love of American folk art and the growth of that field have really increased in the last couple of years," she says.

One evidence of that is the shop's 13th annual Christmas preview scheduled for the first weekend in November. It grows more popular every year, with people attending from Nevada, Oregon and Washington.

Familiar trademarks of America's past welcome visitors to Finer Things.

"We feature artists from around the U.S., primarily the Midwest and East Coast," she says. "These are renowned American folk artists."

Items featured range from dolls,

angels and Santas to goosefeather Christmas trees and handblown glass ornaments — "so people can truly recreate an Americana Christmas."

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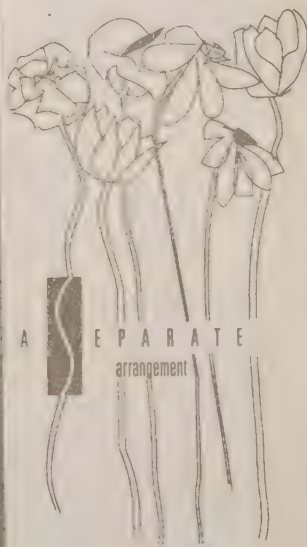
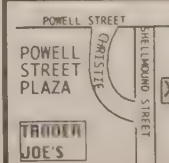
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Garden elements

Winding paths and winsome walkways

By Brian Gardner

Once you've decided on the type of garden and backyard setting for

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erty with designated paths. The aesthetic way to achieve accessibility is through the use of the wide variety of materials that paths and walkways can be constructed of.

Materials set the mood

The material which you cover or make your walkways with will create a definite mood. You should be pretty certain just what it is you want to convey to family and friends when they take a stroll in your backyard or when they're sitting on a deck overlooking the garden pathways.

Crushed rock, which comes in a variety of colors and bark chips, offers an inexpensive way to easily cover large areas. These two types of walkway material would give most any garden a warm and rustic feeling.

Brick creates the same sort of feeling but it also has the quality of being more formal, perhaps because of the number of expensive homes and upscale driveways which are built using brick.

Though paths made out of more informal materials will get lots of compliments from guests, they require more maintenance and if your schedule is as busy as most Californians, constructing your walkways of a more permanent material than moss, gravel or mulch might be a better idea.

These three also need defined edges or the path can become dispersed with the visitor wandering off into your garden, not following the path and enjoying it!

In *Great Gardens* from the Tauton Press, one of the gardens featured in the book has a patio area covered with flagstones. The flagstones chosen and set in pebbly concrete are subtle shades of gray, blue and green.

Arranged in a random pattern the design resembles a stained glass window. The look is informal yet upscale. But remember, with flagstones the surface will be uneven and very hard for guests wearing high heels to walk on.

Other types of rock, in a variety of sizes, can be used effectively for garden paths such as large

steppingstones or even gravel.

Paths pique curiosity

From the Tauton Press, another book, *Garden Design Ideas*, features an entire chapter devoted to design principles about paths through gardens. Titled "Paths to Beauty," this chapter has some very useful information for those wishing to create pleasing access to their gardens.

"Why do you enjoy visiting some gardens more than others? The secret often lies underfoot. In the most alluring gardens, the paths that you tread — whether they're made of bricks, stones, grass or mulch — have been carefully laid out to lead you through the garden and reveal its beauty. Paths are the most important element in a garden.

"You don't have to be a landscape architect to design an effective path. After considerable study, much trial and many errors, I've found that a few basic principles make a path both practical and artful," says Joe Parks, who has built more than one-quarter mile of paths through his six-acre garden in Dover, New Hampshire.

"A path that curves is inviting. A straight path leaves little to the imagination. But a winding path obscures the distant view and thus piques our curiosity. We wonder what we might find around the bend."

In his famous poem, "The Road Not Taken," Robert Frost wrote about his fascination with roads and paths and the curves that seem to pull one along because one can't see where they lead:

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveller, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
to where it bent in the undergrowth...



Huge flagstones take the visitor from the house through garden en route passing under Japanese-style archway.

Parks offers other ideas for garden paths as well: "You need to conceal from the eye what lies beyond a curve. I use evergreen shrubs such as rhododendrons and hollies to make my curves blind."

Another aspect of gardens that can be forgotten is to alter the width of the path at various points. Parks suggests: "Like pools of water along a rushing stream, occasional wider sections in a path encourage people to slow their pace."

"Simply by controlling the width of a path, you can modulate the mood of your garden from energetic to restful. For two people to walk abreast comfortably, a path should be at least 4 feet wide; for people to walk single file, it should be 2 feet wide. Steps should be at least 4 feet wide, for safety and to allow plants to trail over the edges."

When planning a garden, take the time to look at lots of pictures. Get an idea of the kind of garden and paths that you have room for and the type of mood and entertaining you plan to do. If entertaining guests is not high on your agenda, ask yourself why you want a garden.

Are you going to enjoy your garden as a visual treat whenever you

look out upon it from the downs or from your deck? Do you want to spend warm evenings reading a good book, plan a few benches or other formations suitable for various locations that afford these

Light's magic

Lighting can change the look of a garden and literally with a flip of a switch incorporating the use of light can be a priority especially in summer months when supports casual conversation with friends or just out of doors after dark.

The sound of falling water also be a very enjoyable add to your garden.

More than any other garden and its cleverly placed paths can provide year-round interest and become the place family and friends will gather for pleasant conversation and the stresses of the day.

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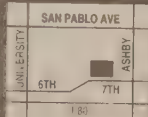
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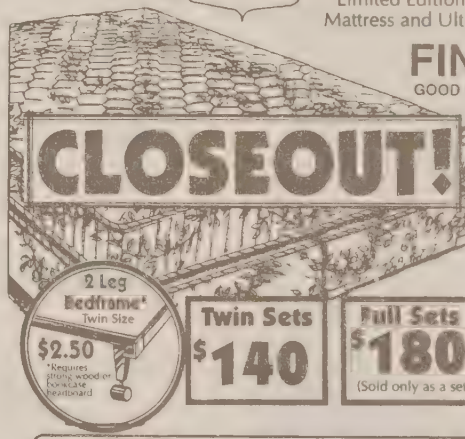


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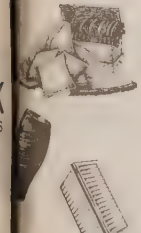
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Right now, for example, Jeanette is working as the interior designer for the Joaquin Miller Community Center. She is also the lead designer for space planning of two downtown city administration buildings.

Among other exciting jobs is work for Rookie of the Year Jason Kidd's Pleasanton residence and a high-profile David Weingarten home. Jeanette is working on the project with the homeowners, who lost their previous home in the hills fire.

"Not all the projects are so high profile," she says. "A number of clients have just a room or one window they want to change."

That's fine with Jeanette, who takes the same approach to both small and large jobs.

"I like to give different options and to be honest about things."

Most often, that means visiting the home to determine what will best fit in. The initial consultation is free.

Jeanette's laptop computer is a great help.

"I'm able to do computerized floor plans right away. Then I can print it out room by room, and we have a working schematic. The clients can look at the options in 3-dimensional form from a number of different angles. It's kind of fun, and it also saves

people from a lot of mistakes. You can see right away what it will look like."

Jeanette is also currently putting hundreds of fabric choices on line, as fabric companies are moving into the electronic world. She says it definitely beats the old system of carrying a number of fabric selection books around — books that may not have exactly what you want.

In addition, the computer can show how different fabric choices can work together for you.

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Jeanette doesn't believe in pushing particular products. Her one goal is to fit the aesthetics and function of the individual home.

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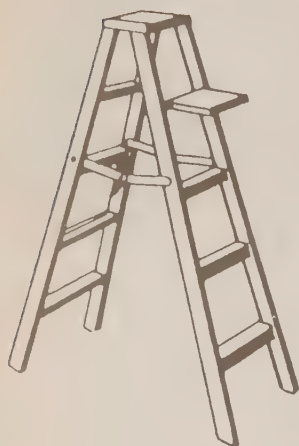
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It's a fact that some home projects require an architect to draw the plans and a professional crew to build what has been designed. On the other hand, there are a number of smaller projects that any home owner can successfully complete with just some basic tools and an understanding of simple techniques. This includes indoor as well as outdoor projects. Now that this year's long rainy season is apparently over, those outdoor plans you've been contemplating can once again be added to the home repair list.

Some of the following information has been taken from a tool that every do-it-yourself homeowner should have: The Easy Home Repair—STEP by STEP Guide to Do-It-Yourself, (call 1-800-331-8574 to order), a binder of ideas on 13 topics ranging from masonry repair to building a garden fence.

Tools of the trade

One of the key reasons homeowners shy away from doing even simple projects around the home is they think that the tools needed to perform these tasks represent an investment they aren't willing to make.

Even if they set aside the money for such equipment, the next obvious question is: "What tools do I need?" and "How do I pick the right tool for the job?"

Actually, once the basic information on the various types of tools is reviewed, gaining an understanding of which tool to use in any given situation isn't hard.

Take saws, for instance, one of the oldest tools in human history. Engravings in Egyptian and Assyrian monuments show an ancient saw which is the same shape as one of our modern ones.

There are currently about 15 different types of saws. Matching the type of project with a saw which is best for that job is about as hard as it gets. And this kind of information is readily available from the staff of your local hardware store, friends in the trade and from the binder information system mentioned earlier.

Tell it with tile

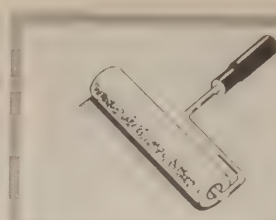
You may have thought about replacing damaged tiles or giving your existing bathroom an entire new look. Ceramic tile replacement can be quick and easy, even for someone who has never performed the task before.

If the job before you is replacing damaged ceramic tiles, for instance, here are some suggestions to help you perform the job correctly the first time. (Always wear safety glasses when removing the tile):

1. For tiles that are firmly bonded, use a center punch to make a hole as close to the center as possible. Using an electric drill equipped with either a 1/8" or 1/4" masonry or ceramic drill bit, drill a hole in the center of the tile. Next score the tile with a glass cutter. Work from the outside edges toward the center punch hole, scoring from corner to corner and side edge to edge. Lubricate the glass cutter wheel with a lightweight oil before each stroke.

2. Apply the adhesive to the back of the new tile with a notched trowel or putty knife. Press the new tile firmly against the wall until it is flush with the existing tiles or surrounding surface.

3. Use masking tape to hold the tile in position while the adhesive dries. Usually 12 to 24 hours is required



before you can apply grout, but check the directions that come with the product you have chosen.

4. Apply the grout. You can spread it into the lines between the tiles with either a putty knife, a sponge or your fingers. Allow the grout to set for 15 minutes, then compact it with a rounded object such as the end of a toothbrush. Using a damp sponge, wipe away the excess grout.

5. Seal joints with a flexible silicone caulk where the tiles meet another surface at any angle. Once the grout has dried (allow at least 24 hours), clean the new tiles and the surrounding with soap and water, and polish with a clean, dry cloth.

Ways with wallpaper

Here's one home project that more than any other scares the daylight out of homeowners. The fears about wallpaper looking rumpled, mismatched and generally sloppy, drive many homeowners away from wallpapering projects, which is too bad considering how easy it really is.

Again from the "Easy Home Repair" section on Wallpapering: "New wallpaper can change a room's period, style or ambience and make a dark room bright, literally overnight. The ability to plan and a keen eye for detail, not strength or technical expertise are the important skills necessary for successful wallpapering.

The most difficult part of the job is deciding which pattern you like best. One key to success: Start in the most inconspicuous corner and work around the room in one direction."

A rule of thumb for measuring for the right amount of wallpaper for your project is as follows:

It takes two strips of paper per single roll for an average room height of 7 feet plus. Wallpaper is sold in double-roll bolts. Ask about returning unused whole double rolls. Partial rolls cannot be returned.

The tools you will need are a bucket, paste brush, paint roller, spackling knife, sponge, straight-edge/combination square, sandpaper and sanding block, roller, wallpaper brush, utility knife, No. 1 hard pencil, scissors, tape measure and stepladder or stool. Having a flat surface close by for measurements and cutting is helpful.

Applying an oil-based primer to the wall before wallpapering process and protect the wall from moisture. To start papering, use a level to draw a true vertical guideline from floor to ceiling. Measure the height from the baseboard to the ceiling and cut the first strip of wallpaper. As you go, cut additional strips, be sure to increase the height of the strips so that the pattern will match.

Double over about one-sixth of the paper from one end so the pasted side is touching the other. Crease this "fold" or it will show when the paper is hung.

When applying the vertical strips of wallpaper, extend them to extend 2" onto the ceiling. Brush the wallpaper to stick it to the wall and drive out air bubbles from the top down and from the center toward the edges. Brush strip again and trim excess paper from the bottom using a broad knife as a straight edge.

Bubbles in the wallpaper rarely form from brushing as you go. If you do get a bubble, try to not smooth out, poke it with a pin before it dries. Work the air out.

Many people find that a roller instead of a brush applies paste faster and just as evenly. If you are an out-of-the-way corner to see what you are doing.

Patterns rarely match along the edges. To match your pattern at the most obvious place, level.

Fenced in

Have you ever thought that a new fence for your property might be an attractive addition to your next thought was, "Me build a fence."

Again this most traditional outdoor project is built by the novice. Of course, the more you know, the better.

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Measuring to buy wallpaper



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Welcoming interiors grace the homes at Montebello Terrace.

Liz Earls photos

Montebello Terrace

Cozy village, urban views

By Dennis Evanosky

The Oakland hills, abrim with winsome surprises, attract visitors from all over the Bay Area. One of the more beautiful parts of the hills boasts a stand of redwood trees, direct descendants of trees so tall that ships at sea used them to navigate the Golden Gate.

Modern-day navigators of steep Redwood Road are scarcely aware that the road was originally cut to transport that original stand of trees to San Francisco Bay to be used in homes in cities such as Martinez and the burgeoning gold miners' settlement around Sutters Mill.

Those who drive up Redwood Road can treat themselves to a more modern surprise by stopping to visit Montebello Terrace. Located on Terrabella Place, above Lincoln Square, the development offers the atmosphere of a village tucked quietly away on a European back road.

While the roof lines are reminiscent of a charming Black Forest town, the views, the gardens and the quality of construction bespeak the Oakland hills of 1995.

People drive from all over the Bay Area and beyond to enjoy the view that hangs like an artist's masterpiece before the residents of this magical village. The San Bruno Mountains, the City itself, the five bridges that span the bay, Angel Island, Alcatraz, and the Marin Headlands all await the nightly magic of the setting sun for the enjoyment of those who live here.

Residents of Montebello Terrace have made their properties unique by creating gardens that entertain the senses. Yards are splashed with the white blossoms of the hawthorn and the oleander's yellow, pink, red, and purple flowers.

The blue-funneled clusters of the lily of the Nile sit below the long, leathery bluish-green leaves of a

podocarpus. The small white flower clusters of the pyracantha—the fire thorn—will later give way to its red, orange, and yellow ornamental fruit clusters.

Private terraced gardens contain drought-resistant plants such as cacti, aloes, and euphorbias sprinkled among ornamental grasses and decorative ferns.

The homes at Montebello Terrace with their bedrock foundations have been built to Oakland's tough, post-1989-earthquake code, including fiberglass roof shingles as well as treated masonite and plaster siding.

The exteriors are set off by period brass porch and patio lights, paint which accentuates the architectural details and solid wood entry doors with brass hardware and deadbolts.

Interiors boast formal entries with hardwood floors and decorator selected brass light fixtures along with wood-burning fireplaces dressed in colonial-style mantles.

Master suites are invitingly decorated with large oval cultured marble tubs and dual basin vanities, have generous walk-in closets and dressing areas and some are accented with cathedral ceilings.

Spacious pantries, designer lighting fixtures, ceramic tile countertops and stainless steel sinks give kitchens those special touches.

The village atmosphere, its beautiful garden setting, breathtaking views, the quality of the construction as well as its proximity to schools, shops, and freeways should give homebuyers reason to stop by Montebello Terrace.

Montebello Terrace is located on Redwood Road, east of Highway 580. The sales office is open Friday through Tuesday, noon - 6 p.m. Call 530-5301 for more information.

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Custom design: the best fit for every home

Lawrence Grown and Christa Rybczynski bring skilled craftsmanship and a knowledge of the principles of architecture together to offer local homeowners and architects wonderful lighting fixtures custom designed to perfectly enhance the beauty of their homes.

Organically Grown might seem an unusual name for a shop specializing in lighting fixtures, but it makes perfect sense (aside from also being Lawrence's last name).

"We both have degrees in architecture and subscribe to the philosophy of organic architecture," says Christa. "The movement of organic architecture focuses on the design of all parts of the building as a whole, from fixtures to furniture. Every element is related to everything else in the whole."

That's the goal Lawrence and Christa have set for themselves in designing lighting fixtures, along with natural lines and curves in the designs themselves, and a natural approach to finishes.

"We do use a chemical finish, but it's not a superficial coating," says Christa. "We use agents that interact with the metal itself, changing its nature and giving it a natural patina." The goal, she says, is "to make fixtures fit in with the style of the house and fit the feeling of the space that they go into."

It was about five years ago that Lawrence started to work at Omega Salvage in Berkeley, rebuilding a number of antique fixtures. He then moved on to Omega II working with higher quality fixtures that had been salvaged. That led to experimenting with his own



Lawrence Grown and Christa Rybczynski with a light fixture they designed and built.

'Organic architecture focuses on the design of all parts of the building as a whole, from fixtures to furniture.'

—CHRISTA RYBCZYNSKI

designs.

The couple opened their own business two years ago out of a shop in their garage. The new shop opened one year ago and has been an encouraging success.

"We've done all the lights for Noah's Bagels and some work for the San Francisco Hilton," says Christa, adding that most of the shop's work is for residences; the shop also works directly with architects.

Architect/contractor Mark Becker, well-known and well-respected for his work in the Oakland hills, is one of those architects who have discovered the quality of Organically Grown's work.

"I came to them because I couldn't find fixtures that suited the kind of home I wanted to do," says Mark. "I was trying to suit the style of house I was doing; in particular, I couldn't find any wall sconces that fit."

"They did a very nice job. We kind of designed them together. Since they're both trained in architecture, we were able to work together comfortably."

"Now we've completed our third house together."

Mark admits that when he first started working with Christa and Lawrence, he had "a tough time letting go."

"I needed a lot of input at the beginning," he said. "But by the time we got to the third house, I just said, 'Here's my house; work with it.' I trust

them to come up with what fits."

Organically Grown has provided almost all the lighting fixtures for the houses, he said.

Mark points to the couple's talents, the quality of their work, the "good control over finishes and other elements," and their organized approach as important attractive features of the business.

In addition, he said, "their architectural background is really key for me."

While Organically Grown does have a showroom with fixtures ready for sale, most of the shop's work is custom lighting, designed to meet the customer's specific needs in both color (brown, green and black) and style. Catalogs offer a variety of glass shades to fit individual tastes.

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Hand-fashioned furniture combines craftsmanship with creativity

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Contrasts and combinations. Michael Cullen's fine hand-crafted furniture brings a few to mind: Craftsmanship coupled with creativity; architectural precision tempered with whimsy; functional designs with a touch of whimsy; classic styles for a contemporary audience.

Five years ago, Michael, who grew up in Montclair and graduated from Skyline High School, set up shop in Petaluma. His work with wood has earned him recognition and awards on both coasts and will be the cover story in an upcoming issue of *Woodwork Magazine*.

Michael received a traditional training

in furniture making and design at Leeds Design Workshop in Massachusetts where he studied under David Powell, a master craftsman who trained at England's Barnsley workshops—an historic hub of the Arts and Crafts Movement in Europe.

What Michael describes as a "tension between organization and disorganization" is evident throughout his work. The furniture has the clean lines of an architectural drawing, but there's a surprise, a subtle detail or juxtaposition that catches and draws the eye. A rich mahogany base on one side table is paired with a dyed-blue tabletop—the cool feel of water or metal is "married" to the warm hue of the wood.

"It's a fusion that we see a lot in Japanese architecture," says Michael. "A simple, utilitarian design includes something organic like a branch or a piece of wood."

The "vertebrae" hall table reflects Michael's desire to "search for the dynamic quality" in his designs. The legs have a light, gazelle-like appearance; the top is slightly elevated so it seems to be levitating; and the wood around the tabletop is delicately carved to create the illusion of light and shadow—hence the "vertebrae" effect.

One of Michael's more whimsical pieces is the "Moon Desk," a telephone/memo desk with an elegant lift-up top for storing phone books and a small drawer for holding pens and pencils. Inset cameos on each side show the four phases of the moon—and glow in the dark for easy phone-finding in the middle of the night!

Michael, who holds a degree in mechanical engineering from UC-Santa Barbara, says he is continually drawing and designing. Although he was one of the few Skyline students who pursued college prep classes and woodshop, he sees no conflict between the two. "Furniture making is demanding



This oval table has 42 bookmatched pieces fanning out from a central point to form a starburst appearance.

both technically and creatively," he says.

An "Egyptian Cabinet" for stereo equipment was commissioned by a writer in Massachusetts who had just completed a fictional book entitled *Aegypt*. Hand-carved wooden "pyramids" grace each corner; contrasting handles resemble the shape of a sarcophagus used in ancient Egypt. The cabinet is a perfect example of Michael's commitment to quality craftsmanship coupled with his own special creative flair.

One of Michael's most ambitious and beautiful pieces of furniture is a large oval-shaped dining table. Forty-two bookmatched pieces of English curly sycamore fan out from a central point on the tabletop to form a shimmering, starburst appearance which simultaneously catches and refracts the light. In keeping with the buyer's country-style house in the mountains, the carved base of the table is shaped like leaves or petals.

While interest in quality, custom-made furniture has

always been there—Michael cites a listing under "Art Furniture" in an 1890 London directory—that interest blossomed again in the 1980s.

"People like custom furniture," says Michael. "That way they can choose the exact wood as well as come up with their own designs. It's much more interesting to furnish your home with one-of-a-kind pieces."

And while there's no comparison in quality between commercial and custom-made furniture, says Michael, prices are comparable. "There really isn't much difference between having your furniture custom-made and the price you pay for good commercial furniture."

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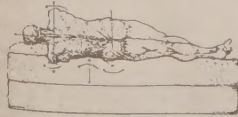
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Window coverings key to comfort

By Betty Mertens
Decorating Den, Montclair

Has our recent long-awaited sunshine caught you without proper home shading? Window treatments while, of course, decorative, also serve other important purposes in our homes. Bright glare and sunlight must be controlled for us to feel comfortable and cool. Privacy, too, is a consideration for many of us.

The choices in shades and blinds can be confusing unless we understand some of their functional purposes. Blinds refer to window coverings made of vertical or horizontal slats, such as wood, vinyl or aluminum.

Shades are generally of fabric and draw up and down to permit

light, shading and/or privacy. Following are descriptions of some of the most popular blind and shade choices available today.

Venetian blinds

Picture those colorless aluminum blinds that used to hang in the windows of your old elementary school, and you have a picture of the traditional Venetian blind. But don't let that image scare you away from this product because today's blinds come in designer colors, various materials, and sizes. Let's take, for example ...

Mini-blinds/Micro-blinds

Mini-blinds are the modernized Venetian. Made with thin one-inch slats, they have a crisp, sharp appeal. Mini-blinds come in a number of

materials, sizes, and a rainbow of designer colors. In addition to their clean look, the advantages of mini-blinds include their wonderful light-screening flexibility because the slats can be tilted to admit as much light as you want, or they may be closed for complete privacy. The slats are simple to clean with a damp cloth. Micro-blinds are just a smaller version of the mini with one-half inch slats.

Vertical blinds

Most popular on sliding glass doors and picture windows, these blinds commonly feature 3-1/2" vertical louvers and may be made in a variety of materials including wood, vinyl, many stock fabrics, or they may be covered with any

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Q: What perennials and annuals are good selections for beginning gardeners?

A: A good mix of perennials and annuals will give your garden a fresh look each growing season. Perennials

to start with may include shasta daisy, violets, phlox, iris and day lilies. Annuals that grow well in many climates include petunia, pansy, marigold, impatiens and zinnias. For ground cover, try sweet

william, snow-on-a-mountain and alyssum.

Q: How should hard-packed soil be prepared for a flower bed?

A: Till the soil deep and add mulch and/or peat moss. To keep the beds loose, additional mulch should be added containing peat moss, sawdust and/or dried leaves.

Q: How often should outdoor flowering plants be watered?

A: Flower beds and potted plants should get water weekly whether

from rainfall or otherwise. During very hot weather, additional watering may be necessary.

Q: How should flowers be pruned to stay in bloom the longest?

A: As blooms fade, pluck them off from the greens. Doing so promotes new blossoms.

Q: How should cut flowers be prepared to stay in bloom the longest?

A: Cut at an angle, place in warm water as soon as possible and add preservative powder or sugar.

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rely on source books and other information. However, don't discount simple or very rustic fences. Simple fences often turn out to be the most attractive ones. Keep in mind what you want your fence to do and you'll end up with both style and function.

Ask yourself some questions before you decide on the type of fencing you plan to erect. Are you marking your property line? Keeping your pets in, or your neighbor's pets out? Creating outdoor privacy? Are you decorating and defining a small

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Brian Gardner is an award-winning journalist and native of Oakland.

Windows: VIP treatment

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decorative fabric or paper.

One advantage of vertical blinds is their view-enhancing capabilities. The louvers can pivot open to allow a partial view and some light; they can be fixed shut to screen the sun's rays and maintain privacy; or they can be pulled back completely to reveal the view and let in plenty of light.

When you add to these choices the variety of colors and patterns, selecting the right blind can be challenging.

Give some thought to the window's purpose as you are considering the options. Is it facing a sunny or shady exposure? What will be most aesthetically pleasing to the rest of the decor?

Shedding Light on Shades

The countless styles of shades can confuse anyone looking for the right window treatment. Let's walk through some of the choices together and shed a little light on the shade dilemma.

Silhouette shades

Fairly new on the market, Silhouette shades by HunterDouglas marries the functionality of mini-blinds with the softness of pleated shades. They are constructed with an outside layer of sheer polyester material and contain inside slats in an opaque polyester. The inside slats tilt back

and forth like a mini-blind, but because the shades are constructed entirely out of fabric, the overall effect is one of soft elegance.

Pleated shades

Pleated shades are constructed in a polyester material that folds in neat, horizontal pleats.

Available in countless colors and sizes, they can be a wonderful choice for a window. They pull up compactly at the top of a window and can be entirely hidden under a top treatment.

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Not only colorful and beautiful, these shades are actually quite practical. Cellular shades look like pleated shades from the front, but from the side you'll notice backing that creates a "honeycomb" effect. Air is trapped within the tiny pockets to provide one of the most energy-efficient window treatments available.

Soft shades

Soft shades include such items as balloons and Roman shades. They are functional because they can be raised and lowered, and they are truly decorative because they are made out of your choice of fabric.

The balloon creates soft, rounded scallops, especially when raised, while the Roman creates crisp, clean lines when it is drawn up. The hobbled Roman has soft

folds that lend a special touch even when the window treatment is lowered.

In closing, here are three questions you should answer before making your selection:

- Do you need special insulation protection?
- Which direction does the window face ... sun or shade?
- What treatment will work best with the rest of the room's decorating direction?

Most importantly, talk to a decorator. Find out about all the available options. We hope this sheds a little light on the blind and shade choices, and here's wishing you a successful journey in your quest for the perfect window treatment.

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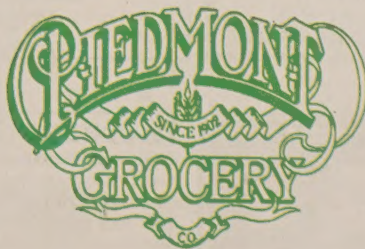
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